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EAST BELFAST LOCALITY PLANNING GROUP MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 21 MARCH 2014 AT 10AM IN THE SKAINOS CENTRE, NEWTOWARDS ROAD

Present:

Name:	Organisation:
Maggie Andrews	EBPB (LPG Chair)
Mary McManus	EB Independent Advice Centre
Megan Miller	East Belfast Mission
Michelle Bryans	Alternatives
Andy Moorhead	Alternatives
Mark Davis	East Belfast Mission
Matt McCullough	Youth Initiatives
Cora DeBaróid	Women's Aid
Annika Chapman	Ascertain - Daisy
Paul Crozier	Ascertain
Claire Humphrey	Barnardos
Tracy Wilson	Oasis
Eelco Westerhuis	Home-Start
Geraldine O'Regan	EB SureStart
Karen Purdy	Bloomfield Community Association
Una Casey	CYPSP
Lorraine Brennan	BHSCT

Apologies:

Name:	Organisation:
Kelly Maxwell	Niacro
Carolyn Stewart	Mencap
Ashlea Berryman	Early Years
Yvonne Cowan	BHSCT
Marie-Therese Cassin	Cedar Foundation

Welcome and Introductions:

Maggie welcomed everyone to the meeting and a round of introductions took place.

Apologies:

Were noted as above

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes from the meeting held on 18th February were agreed as an accurate recording of the meeting.

Matters Arising

Any matters arising were on today's agenda

Update on Family Support Hubs

Lorraine updated on the development of the Family Support Hubs to date. She explained that the hub meeting held the previous day was the third in a series of four meetings in the development process. The Inner East hub will be the first hub in Belfast. The meetings have been looking at what will work for the area, the membership, which organisations will be core members and which will be associate members. Lorraine reminded the group that the hub is about matching families to the right services to meet their needs in a joined up way. She highlighted that there were information sharing and safeguarding protocols etc. Applications are out for the role of the lead body. There will then be a selection panel of senior members of the BHSCT and Statutory members of the Belfast Area Outcomes Group. The lead body will have a coordinating role working to the regional operational handbook. The lead body will need to have capacity to run the family support hub meetings and also be able to engage with families and so on.

East Belfast Locality Planning Group Action Plan

In-depth discussions took place about each of the outcomes and actions on the action plan. (See attached action plan for amendments).

It was agreed that the action plan would have a narrative which should reflect the LPGs broader aims and to ensure synergy between the LPG and other groups/networks. Inclusiveness, resilience, issues of the welfare reform, and whole family issues, and full parenting will also be included in the narrative.

Una explained that the LPG action plan will inform the review and development of the Belfast Area Outcomes Groups Action Plan for 2015-18.

ACTION: Una and Maggie to work on narrative

Any Other Business

Geraldine advised the group that the application process is open for Voluntary and Community and BME Representatives on the CYPSP Partnership and Regional Subgroups and the Belfast Area Outcomes Group. The closing date for applications is 18th April. Further information is available on www.cypsp.org and through CiNI, NICEM and NICVA.

Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 1st May at 10am in Skainos