

**Minutes of the South Belfast Locality Planning Group Meeting held  
on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 10am in Shaftesbury Community and  
Recreation Centre**

**Present:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
Kelly Maxwell	Niacro (LPG Chair)
Una Casey	CYPSP
Brian Graham	NIHE
Anita Duff	BELB (Youth Service)
Declan Morris	Simon Community NI
Pat Bates	NIHE
Anne McKay	Mornington
Fionnuala McComb	An Droichead
Fiona Malloy	South Belfast Partnership Board
Natasha Brennan	LORAG (& Belfast OG)
Mary Murphy	BHSCT
Gerry Largey	BHSCT
Alison Robinson	South Belfast SureStart
Carolyn Stewart	Mencap
Healthier Orr	Sólás
Eelco Westerhuis	Home-Start
Ann Marie Doyle	Prince's Trust
Aine Kelly	Save the Children
Jim Potts	South City Development Resource Centre
Richard Mealey	Donegall Pass Community Forum

**Apologies:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
Henri Mohammed	Belfast City Council
Gabi Morninhweg	BHSCT
Dermot Magorrian	Youth Justice Agency
Debbie Sterrit	BHSCT
Bernie Martin	Simon Community NI
Niall Huston	Markets Development Trust
Ruth Livingstone	Village SureStart Children's Centre
Joy Poots	South Belfast SureStart

## **Welcome and Introduction**

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

## **Apologies**

Apologies were noted as above

## **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> May were agreed as an accurate recording of the meeting.

## **Matters Arising**

Una has discussed the changing ward boundaries with the CYPSP information team. The information team are currently looking into how to demonstrate trend information within the new wards and will update on this soon.

## **Presentation - Creating Cohesive Communities**

Anne Marie was unable to attend therefore this presentation will be rescheduled to the August meeting.

## **Action Plan**

Kelly gave an outline of how the LPG had a workshop on Outcomes Based Planning and examined the available indicators for the area. The group then had a workshop in February to identify; based on the trend analysis and local knowledge; issues of concern for children, young people and families in the South Belfast area. After this workshop a subgroup worked to pull all the information together into an action plan. This action plan was shared with the wider group for comment in March. There was some discussion about rewording and some clarifications suggested which was then carried out.

The group had agreed that once the suggested amendments were made that they were happy to sign off on the action plan with one amendment outstanding around the educational needs of the Irish Medium sector which has now been included in the action plan as outcome 6.

A discussion took place about the need for the action plan to include the educational needs and aspirations from before pre-school of the Protestant/Unionist/Loyalist communities as this is an area of disadvantage. The group agreed that this is an issue that needed to be more explicit in the plan and it was agreed that Richard should send Una a form of words for inclusion in the plan.

**Action: Richard to email Una with form of words**

The group agreed that once this amendment was made they were happy to sign off on the plan with the understanding that it is a live document and can be subject to change; particularly once the Family Support Hubs were up and running.

Una tabled a copy of the Mental Health mapping that had been carried out. A discussion took place around services that had mental health at their core and services that had mental health as a secondary outcome of their work. A discussion also took place about the need to include information about waiting lists etc. members felt that this wasn't necessary as waiting lists were so fluid.

**Action: Una to make the changes to the Mental Health mapping document.**

Action:

- Each Locality Group member/service provider to deliver a bespoke male/father focused activity

was discussed and it was agreed that when members were running anything for fathers that it could be brought to the LPG for a collaborative approach to it. Alison highlighted that South Belfast SureStart were working with Donegall Pass Community Forum on a fatherhood programme.

Una tabled notes from the Fun Day planning task group meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> June (see attached). The task group looked at the possibility of applying for the Belfast City Council Small Grants scheme. The group discussed the theme of the fun day which they decided on "Play in the Outdoors" and also the venue and outcomes of the event. It was agreed that the timeframe for applying for the grants was too short this time (the closing date is 2<sup>nd</sup> July). The task group will meet again to work out costing etc and work up a plan to apply for the tranche of funding that will be advertised in the winter with a plan of holding the fun day

between Easter and the summer holidays. One issue faced by the task group is that there needs to be an organisation to take the lead on the application. Niacro and LORAG have both stated that they might be able to do this. Gerry suggested that the task group could make linkages with Elaine Black from BCC who sits on the Belfast Outcomes Group.

### **Action: Task group to meet again and work out costing etc of Fun Day Event**

Action:

- Investigate train the trainer by CEOP/investigate if members have completed this training already and roll out.

Una highlighted the CEOP Ambassador Training was taking place on 16<sup>th</sup> October in L/Derry and had circulated this to the members of the group. Una will be doing the training and Eelco said that it is also his intention to do the training. Una and Eelco will then deliver the training to members of the LPG in order to roll out through their own projects etc. This will enable a consistent message of online safety to be shared with children, young people and parents.

Action:

- Members to map the networks and forums that they are involved with

Una explained that she has drawn up a template that she will email to members for completion. This will help the group map out where they are linking to other networks and forums and if there are any gaps.

### **Action: Una to circulate template**

## **Family Support Update**

Gerry explained that 3 hub workshops have now been delivered and that the application process for the lead body has now closed. The next stage of the family support hub will be a shadow format where the hub members will look at terms of reference, core and associate members, thresholding and will work with some hypothetical referrals. It is hoped that the Hub will be operational by September. Gerry explained the possible timeframe for the next round of hubs but highlighted that he would be taking direction from the Belfast Outcomes Group on the

running order of these. He also highlighted that the level of funding available to the Family Support Hubs would be discussed at the Outcomes Group meeting in August.

Natasha updated that she had attended the Belfast Outcomes Group meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> June as she is the new Community representative on the BAOG for South Belfast. She highlighted that there had been discussions about the funding for the Family Support Hubs and also the Early Intervention Transformation Programme and specifically the Work Stream 2 section of this. She discussed the Early Intervention Service that will be developed from EITP and the need that this service complements the services already existing. The Early Intervention Service will have workers, possibly 9-12 across Belfast, and will take referrals from the Family Support Hubs. Natasha suggested that she give the LPG a more in-depth update at the next meeting. In the meantime Una will circulate a presentation given to the Outcomes Group on EITP. Natasha asked members to forward her any comments they might have on the EITP and she will raise these at the next Outcomes Group meeting.

**Action: Una to circulate EITP presentation**

**Action: Members to contact Natasha Brennan with any comments**

Gerry highlighted that there were a number of other DSC signature projects that might be connected through the Family Support Hubs such as the parenting programmes. He highlighted that there was also the South Belfast SIF bid around family support too and that it was really important that all these complement and enhance the existing services.

Gerry also highlighted there is a piece of work currently being carried out to map regionally PHA and HSCB funded family support projects and also projects that the BHSC fund through their payment schedules and to see how these fit with the LPGs and Family Support Hubs.

### **Any Other Business**

Una highlighted that the South Belfast Partnership Board launched their "A Parent's Guide: Helping your Child to do well at school in South Belfast" on Monday (23<sup>rd</sup> June). This is a handy A5 pack with pull out information for parents about choosing a school, starting school, and so on. These packs are available on the South Belfast Partnership Board website and are also available in a selection of different languages.

<http://www.southbelfast.org/site/Article.aspx?x=5&y=37>

Kelly informed the group that she had recently attended a presentation at the North Belfast LPG by Helen O'Neill from the Family Support NI website and said how useful this had been. She highlighted the importance of all services having their information on the website and making sure it was up to date. She explained that the website has a translate button which is very useful if working with families with English as an Additional Language. Una suggested inviting Helen to the SB LPG meeting to give the group an over view of the website. The website has also got an App which will be formally launched in September. The App can be accessed for free by searching for 'Childcare & Family Support NI on App store or Google Play.

**Action: Una to invite Helen O'Neill to give a presentation on the Family Support Website.**

Kelly explained that there had recently been a conference at QUB about Never Ending Sentences. This was looking at how the filtering arrangements for young people have changed and that if a young person has 2 or more charges then these never get filtered off their record and could affect their applications for college, work and so on. There is work currently being carried out on why Article 21 has been dropped from the youth justice. Kelly suggested inviting someone from Niacro along to the next meeting to give a more in-depth talk about this issue.

Una has circulated information about Cara-friend are hosting an Educate the Educators training event on working with young LGBT young people, which will take place on 30<sup>th</sup> July.

Una highlighted that the BSP are currently consulting on their Emotional Resilience Strategy and for members to send a response to this.

The community and voluntary members on the Belfast Outcomes Group had now changed and that Geraldine O'Regan is no longer on the BAOG as the voice of South Belfast Community; and Natasha Brennan was successful in her application for this. The group took this opportunity to formally thank Geraldine for all her help in raising the issues in South Belfast at the Outcomes Group.

Una asked if any members can host an LPG meeting and can they please email her and let her know; some members have suggested that

it would be beneficial to move the meetings around the different parts of South Belfast.

**Action: Members to let Una know if they can host a future LPG meeting.**

### **Date of Future Meetings**

#### **All meetings will be held at 10am**

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August - Ballynafeigh Community House

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October - Belvoir Players Studio

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December - Shaftesbury Community & Recreation Centre

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2015 - Ballynafeigh Community House