

**Minutes of the South Belfast Locality Planning Group held on
Friday 27th February 2015 at 10am in Shaftesbury Community and
Recreation Centre, 97 Balfour Avenue**

Present:

Name:	Organisation:
Kelly Maxwell	NIACRO (Chair)
Una Casey	CYPSP
Gabi Morninweg	BHSCT
Carolyn Stewart	Mencap
Joan Henderson	Sólás
Alison Robinson	S B SureStart
Stephanie Thompson	SB Partnership
Natasha Brennan	LORAG
Jim Potts	South City Development Resource Centre
Richard Mealey	Donegal Pass Community Forum
Sarah Salters	ADDNI
Shirley Simpson	Windsor Women
Jen Simpson	Dream Scheme
Aine Kelly	Save the Children
Dermot Magorrian	Youth Justice Agency
Niall Houston	Markets Development Association

Apologies:

Name:	Organisation:
Laura Rankin	CYPSP
Fionnuala Nic Thom	An Droichead
Anita Duff	BELB Youth Service

Welcome and Introductions

Kelly welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked LORAG for hosting today's meeting. A round of introductions took place.

Apologies

Were noted as above

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 29th January 2015 were agreed as an accurate recording of the meeting.

Matters Arising

Una agreed to circulate the Mental Health Mapping paper. The group agreed that it would be a useful exercise to review this on an annual basis.

Natasha explained that the training which was planned had been cancelled. It will be rescheduled for the end March, beginning of April. There will be safeguarding designated officer training for hub members only but this is currently fully subscribed. There will be opportunities for this training to be held again once the South Belfast 2 hub is up and running.

Stephanie agreed to circulate the invitation to the South Belfast Education conference, which will take place on 27th March. She also explained that South Belfast Partnership Board got several iPads that were funded through DCAL to improve educational engagement with parents. Shirley highlighted that Windsor Women have been using their iPads with 14 children with special needs, and Joan explained that Sólás have used them to help a group of children with Speech and Language needs using the app Neuro-Hero which is tied into a 6-12 month trial to research Autism.

It was also highlighted that Belfast City Council are also running an iPad scheme with 8 available; contact Lisa Wilson for more details.

Natasha explained that the South Belfast 2 Family Support Hub would be in the second round of hubs and the Belfast Outcomes Group is aiming for full coverage of hubs by this summer.

Una to circulate Mental Health Mapping paper.

Una/Laura to circulate the linkages template one last time for members to complete and return.

Family Support Hub Update

Natasha explained that the South Belfast One Family Support Hub was launched on Tuesday 17th February. Approximately 120 people attended this event and 19 members showcased their services. Marie Cavanagh, Helen Dunn and Natasha presented at the event. 3 families

self-referred at the event. Since 13th January 17 families have been referred to the hub and have all been matched with services. The next core members meeting will take place next week.

Kelly and other members who attended the launch commended Natasha and LORAG on the success of the event and Kelly stated that it was great to see it all come to fruition.

Natasha explained that there are 48 services involved in the hub which highlights how well connected the hub is and also how well the LPG has worked to develop it. She also explained that the referrals need to have signed consent from the families. Natasha also highlighted that many of the referrals that are coming through have highlighted a gap in services for under 4s outside SureStart areas with multiple needs. Part of the role of the hub is to coordinate the services going into one family so that they aren't all going to the family at the same time. There have been some referrals from outside the area covered by the South Belfast One hub which highlighted the need for the other hubs. Natasha will forward Una the paper showing the hub boundaries.

Action: Natasha to forward Una paper on Family Support Hub boundaries for circulation.

Belfast Outcomes Group Feedback

The Belfast Outcomes Group Family Support Funding information event was held on Thursday 26th February members explained that this fund amounted to £500,000, with maximum and minimum amounts that can be applied for, there are 4 categories and 2 strands. Members commented that the application process seemed relatively complicated. The closing date is 12th March with a signed hard copy and also an electronic copy to be submitted before 12 noon. Questions can be submitted to the Early Intervention team on 3rd, 5th and 9th March and a list of frequently asked questions and answers will then be circulated to everyone.

The funding is initially for one year with the possibility for a 24 month extension pending successful review and evaluation at the end of each year.

South Belfast Drugs and Alcohol Workshop Feedback

Stephanie reported to the group that the SB Drug and Alcohol group has held 2 workshops which have included networking, and examining usage, dealing and impact, types. The third meeting will take place on 10th March at 2pm in the Crescent Arts centre. The group will be

working on an action plan in connection to BDACT. This group is working with the schools education programme. Discussions also took place around the SOS programme available to community groups at a cost of £500. The group agreed that it would be important for this group and the LPG to ensure linkages.

Action Plan Review

Gabi gave feedback from the action plan review group, which was attended by Gabi, Alison, Kelly, Una, Jim and Richard. The review group reworded the Outcome 1 to 'Families in South Belfast are more resilient, Outcome 2 to Positive engagement with education in South Belfast'. This outcome will encompass outcome 2, 4 and 6 from the original plan. The group also agreed that outcome 7 on the linkages was core business of the LPG and will therefore be included in the introduction. The group also reviewed the actions in relation to the first 2 outcomes. (Please see action plan). Kelly advised the group that this review group will need to meet again on 23rd March to complete the review and invited any of the LPG members interested in being involved with this working group to come along. Joan, Carolyn, Aine and Stephanie agreed to be involved.

There has been no further update on the funding application for the Family Fun Day. The date for this is 23rd May 12-2pm if the application is successful.

Member Updates

Sólás – Joan Henderson

Sólás have some capacity on Tuesday nights for 11-16 year olds with ASD. They are hosting a mindfulness day (Saturday 28th February) which is fully subscribed to.

Donegall Pass Community Forum – Richard Mealey

DPCF are hosting a Domestic Violence awareness event next Wednesday 4th March from 10am to 12 noon. Everyone is welcome to come along.

Action: Richard to send details to Una for circulation

South Belfast Partnership Board – Stephanie Thompson

Has some PHA slippage funding which will be used to fund Balance Ability for young people with additional needs there are 10-12 spaces available across all of South Belfast and run for 6 weeks.

Kelly advised the group that each member will be invited to give a quick presentation about their work in South Belfast at each of the LPG meetings. We will work through members in an alphabetical order, therefore ADDNI will present at the next meeting in April.

Una highlighted to the meeting that Laura Rankin has been working on a members directory for each of the LPGs in Belfast, and circulated a copy of the SB LPG directory. Una explained that this was for members and would not be available to the general public. This directory includes a snapshot of the service and a short penpicture of the member. Members agreed that this would be useful to help members get to know each other. Natasha felt that this would also be useful for the Family Support Hub members.

Action: Laura to recirculate to members for them to include their information if they haven't already done so.

Any Other Business

Kelly highlighted that Barnardos have got funding for a SB Hub for BME children of school age. Una has contacted Liz Kavanagh who is leading on this project. Liz will attend the April meeting to give more details on this project.

Kelly highlighted the need for a vice-chair for the LPG and invited any members who are interested to let Una know. The vice-chair would be filling in for Kelly if she is unable to attend a meeting.

Action: anyone who would like to be considered as vice-chair of the LPG to contact Una

Stephanie highlighted that Active Belfast have released a funding stream. There are two potential awards for Belfast wide programme applications worth up to £25,000. There are also potentially 10 grants worth £10,000 each available for local programmes of which must demonstrate partnership working between 2 or more organisations. The themes of these grants are cycling and neighbourhood. The deadline for stage 1 applications is 9th March. This is a very short proposal form. The deadline for stage 2 is 20th March.

Dates of Future meetings

Thursday 30 th April 2015 @ 10am	Prince's Trust
Thursday 25 th June 2015 @ 10am	Cormac Regeneration Initiative

	Building
Thursday 27 th August 2015 @ 10am	Shaftesbury Recreation and Community Centre
Thursday 29 th October 2015 @ 10am	TBC
Thursday 17 th December 2015 @ 10am	TBC