

Minutes
Armagh Locality Planning Group
Thursday 2nd July 2015 at 10am
Amma Centre, Armagh

<p>Chairperson: Ciara Burke (Closing the Gap, ACBCBC & MUDC)</p> <p>Facilitator: Annie Clarke (CYPSP)</p> <p>Attendees: Barbara Chapman (Education Welfare Service) Colleen O'Hare (ATSG) Jacqueline Connolly (Community Development - SHSCT) Joanne McCourt (Belfast Central Mission) Mia Murray (Arke Sure Start) Pat McGeough (Barnardo's YPP) Rosie Carey (E.A. – Youth Service) Tanya Hamilton (Toybox Project)</p>	<p>Apologies:</p> <p>Margarita O'Donnell (ACBCBC)</p> <p>Rachael Power (Simon Community)</p> <p>Stacey Nugent (Cedar Foundation)</p> <p>Blaine McCarthy (Barnardo's DCYPPP)</p> <p>Geraldine Donnelly (Safe and Well Project)</p> <p>Ruth Briggs (Home-Start Armagh & Dungannon)</p>
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1.0	<p>WELCOME and INTRODUCTIONS</p> <p>Ciara welcomed the group to today's meeting and attendees provided a round of introductions.</p>	Members signed in
2.0	<p>APOLOGIES</p> <p>A list of apologies were read out (please see list above).</p>	
3.0	<p>PREVIOUS MINUTES</p> <p>Minutes from the previous meeting held on 14th May at the Amma Centre were passed except for the following:</p> <p>Query around Child Protection Training (C.P.) was raised by representative from Armagh Travellers Support Group. It was clarified that the Manager of ATSG had enquired about C.P. training and she had been informed that the next training day is scheduled for 3rd July. Post has yet to be filled at CiNI for the Learning and Development Officer and all being well this will take place before October and new courses can then be advertised.</p> <p>It was mentioned that "Community Sector Training" offer C.P. training courses and these are free and delivered by a designated C.P. Officer.</p> <p>Discussion on issues around Sure Start based on geographical wards rather than needs of families.</p>	Annie to raise this with Southern Outcomes Group.

4.0	<p>Action Planning – Identifying and Agreeing Priorities</p> <p>There was a discussion around identifying and agreeing three or four priorities that the group can take forward over the coming 12 month period and this involved examining the statistical information and stakeholder event information that was collated by Annie.</p> <p>The chosen priorities for the Armagh Locality Planning Group are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looking at a family centred approach (importance of considering the needs, goals, and outcomes of the family as a whole; having the family at the centre of the work of the Locality Planning Group) • Membership of the Locality Planning Group (Pat McGeough raised concerns over the lack of representatives from community and sports groups) • Information Road Shows Working through the local schools to deliver a series of road-shows (Keady town, the surrounding rural areas and Armagh city). These could take the form of information events to highlight and promote the services that are available for families in the local area. It was stressed that Mount St Catherine's Primary School is very proactive and engages well with activities and external groups. <p>Other schools suggested:</p> <p>Christian Brothers School Armstrong St Francis of Assisi Darkley</p> <p>A sub-group was created to take this project forward:</p> <p>Mia Murray Jacqueline Connolly Joanne McCourt Annie Clarke Rosie Carey (Nuala Haughey)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work in partnership with Sure Start to deliver tooth fairy events 	<p>Nuala and Annie to look at the membership of the group and try to encourage representation of Community groups again as well as Sports groups.</p> <p>Mia Murray to contact Nuala McGarvey at St Francis of Assisi Primary School, Keady to inform her of the idea of the road-show. Nuala and Annie to draft a list of possible schools to contact within Keady/surrounding areas and Armagh.</p> <p>Mia, Annie, Louise O'Hagan and Nuala to meet for discussion of Tooth Fairy Event</p>
5.0	<p>Appointment of Vice-Chair</p> <p>Mia Murray was today nominated (by Colleen at ATSG) to be Vice-Chair of Armagh Locality Planning Group.</p>	

<p>6.0</p>	<p>Member Agency Update</p> <p>Jacqueline Connolly announced that a Bulgarian group has been established. This will offer the opportunity to all families/people in general to learn the Bulgarian language.</p> <p>Big Lottery Bid – Telephone interview was undertaken and currently awaiting a decision on this.</p> <p>Ciara Burke announced that there is a Small Grants Scheme available for voluntary and community sector organisations. This non-recurring funding aims to address the themes of Mental Health & Emotional Well-Being, Suicide Prevention and Self- Harm. This grant is being administered by the Clear Project.</p> <p>Mia Murray announced that Arke Sure Start's new website has just recently been launched.</p> <p>Furthermore, Mia discussed "In Kind Direct" where the staff redistribute products from companies to charities, social enterprises and not-for-profit organisations. End of line products are available at this site also.</p> <p>It was suggested that the Coordinator of the Armagh Foodbank (which is organised by the Trussell Trust) be invited to be a member of Armagh LPG and to promote the work that is done.</p> <p>Joanne McCourt currently looking at alternative funding options to meet demand. Joanne spoke about PHA funded project which offers <i>'Starter Pack' for homeless households leaving temporary accommodation to take up their own tenancies</i>. No criteria necessary and there are a list of areas in which the packs can be collected.</p> <p>The LPG members agreed to drop "City" from the group's name – new name: "Armagh Locality Planning Group" – to reflect work that is being done in the wider area.</p>	<p>If possible, Jacqueline to pass on some more information about this language class</p> <p>Nuala to circulate info on Small Grants Scheme. Please note the closing date is 29th July 2015.</p> <p>Joanne to link in with Mia regarding families outside of Sure Start area (Joanne covers Keady area).</p> <p>http://www.inkinddirect.org/</p> <p>Mia/Nuala to contact Richard (Coordinator) at Foodbank to invite him to be a member of the group and speak at next LPG meeting. Mia to forward more information to Nuala and this is to be circulated to the group.</p> <p>Joanne to forward more info on the Starter Packs to Nuala - to be circulated.</p>
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	<p>Annie Clarke informed the attendees that Armagh Locality Planning Group has its own webpage on the CYPSP website and members are welcome to send in information on their upcoming activities and events to Nuala/Annie for advertisement on the webpage.</p> <p>Annie also pointed out that there is training on the Interactive Mapping System available which Valerie Maxwell (CYPSP Information Officer) is facilitating. This will also provide a networking opportunity for attendees, and it will be particularly useful for those who deal with funding applications.</p>	<p>Annie/Nuala to keep group informed about the upcoming training on the Interactive Mapping System.</p>
7.0	<p>Date of next meeting</p> <p>The next meeting for the Armagh Locality Planning Group will be held on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Thursday 17th September at 10am in the Amma Centre, Armagh.</i> <p>Thank you for attending and for your contribution</p>	