

**Minutes of the South Belfast Locality Planning Group held on
Thursday 30th April 2015 at 10am in Prince's Trust, Unit 8 Weavers
Court, BT12 5GH.**

Present:

Name:	Organisation:
Kelly Maxwell	NIACRO (Chair)
Una Casey	CYPSP
Laura Rankin	CYPSP
Carolyn Stewart	Mencap
Joan Henderson	Sólás
Alison Robinson	South Belfast SureStart
Stephanie Thompson	SB Partnership Board
Natasha Brennan	LORAG
Jim Potts	South City Development Resource Centre
Michelle McNally	Gems NI
Ceallaigh Gatt	Gems NI
Shirley Simpson	Windsor Women
Liz Kavanagh	Barnardos
Áine Kelly	Save the Children
Dermot Magorrian	Youth Justice Agency
Ann-Marie Doyle	Princes Trust
Mary Murphy	BHSCT
Gerry Largey	BHSCT
Anita Duff	Education authority
Joan Henderson	Solas
Anne McKay	Mornington Community Project

Apologies:

Name:	Organisation:
Gabi Morninweg	BHSCT
Richard Mealey	Donegal Pass Community Forum
Sarah Saulters	ADDNI
William Dickson	Blackstaff Community Association
Debbie Hammill	Alternatives

Welcome and Introductions

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

Apologies

Were noted as above

Presentation- Belfast Healthy Cities (Laura McDonald)

Laura explained how Belfast Healthy Cities focuses on improving the quality of the physical and built environment. Efforts to protect landscapes, improve planning, road safety and community connectedness, while providing more opportunities for physical activity and social cohesion, lead to more positive outcomes for health.

Belfast Healthy Cities' Child Friendly Places Group is leading the way in promoting and developing Belfast as a child friendly place and have developed for consultation, a draft 'Shaping Healthier Places for Children – A Belfast Framework 2015 – 2018'. (See attached presentation)

Presentation- Family Learning and integration hub (Liz Kavanagh)

Liz spoke to the group about the new family learning and integration hub which is being run by Barnardo's. There are a number of projects being funded by this initiative including Early Intervention Family Support, culturally specific parenting programmes, GLOBE programmes, community group development support and PIP Toybox.

Liz spoke about the work of Tuar Ceatha services which helps to improve the lives of minority ethnic and refugee children and their families by providing individual parenting support, group work and high quality play-based learning for young children. (See attached presentation)

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 27th February 2015 were agreed as an accurate recording of the meeting.

Matters Arising

The Family Support hub boundaries have been updated and circulated to the group

Action: Una to circulate Mental Health mapping tool

Action: Laura to update linkages

Action Plan

Family Fun day update- The fun day will take place on Saturday 23rd June at from 12-2pm in Ormeau Park. The event is to promote families spending time together and encourage resiliency, which is a vital part of the action plan for South Belfast. There will be a number of activities taking place including Arts and Crafts with Doodlebugs, Ulster Wildlife Foundation, the Bird man, mini Olympics and a climbing wall. Una told the group that they had been successful with their funding, however there is a shortfall of £300 which will be made up by CYPSP. CYPSP will also cover the photography/ press release etc.

Una made the group aware that there will be an opportunity to have a stand at the event. There will be an email send out to fill in a question for a quiz and a return form to complete to bring a stand.

The sub group have been struggling to find a large marquee for the event, so if anyone in the group could donate one for the Saturday morning it would be most helpful.

The next meeting of the sub group will take place in Ballynafeigh on Friday 1st May @10am if any members would like to attend.

Action: Laura to send out information for those organisations wishing to host a stand at the fun day

Review working group- The action plan review working group met on 23rd March. Joan outlined that the group focussed on the strengthening of disability and PUL representation within the action plan. The overall plan was amended from 5 outcomes to 4, to prevent duplication and make the actions tighter and more achievable. The group are awaiting feedback for a piece of Irish medium writing from Fionnuala McCotter, this is to be tabled for the next meeting. It was proposed to change the wording of outcome 3 so it will read 'all underachieving communities' instead of BME. This is to be tabled at the next meeting

Action: Feedback from Fionnuala McCotter at next meeting

Action: Discuss wording of Outcome 3 at next meeting

Belfast Outcomes Group Feedback

EITP- Maurice Meehan from the PHA gave the group some background information about EITP and the Early Intervention Service. Initially there

were to be 4 Early Intervention Services in Belfast, however this did not pass recommendations from the project Board. There will now only be one service throughout Belfast. This was discussed in depth at the Outcomes Group, and it was decided that a smaller version of each service will be placed in each of the four areas in Belfast. The service is spread over a number of hub areas including Upper Springfield and Whiterock, Inner East, Greater Shankill, South Belfast One, Lower North and Outer North.

Maurice explained that this will be a 33 month pilot and at the end it will be decided whether the service should continue and/or expand. The group expressed frustration at the fact that something new has come up and running when traditional services are working or having to suffer because of a lack of funding.

Amanda talked about what the service would look like and what sort of services it would provide, using evidence based models. Members voiced their concern that Belfast is the largest population, so it would be hard to measure the impact or outcome. There will be many instruments of Outcomes Based Accountability.

Outcomes Group funding

Gerry and Mary updated the group on the funding from the Outcomes Group. There were 74 bids for the Family Support money. These will be sifted and processed in the next couple of weeks and people will subsequently hear if they have been successful. They emphasised the high level of applications this year in comparison with the level of funding available. The Letters of Offer should be with groups in the next 2-3 weeks, with contracts to follow.

Family Support Hub Update

South West Hub- The South West hub is currently in the development stage. There are two upcoming workshops, on the 24th March and 4th April. The panel will then meet on the 6th May, which will be followed by 2 shadow meetings on 27th May and 18th June. This hub will give 100% coverage as it covers both South and East Belfast.

Action: Invites to workshops to be circulated in the next couple of days

South Belfast 1(Natasha)- There have been 32 referrals to the hub so far, with the main issues including children with challenging behaviour, counselling, family counselling, difficulties with being outside Sure Start

areas and families awaiting diagnosis. Jim noted that he has found this to be a particularly pressing issue. The referrals have been from varying sources, including Gateway, Sure Start and health visitors.

Natasha added that hubs have been overloaded with expectation to fill the gaps in services, and it is the locality group's responsibility to feed back to the Outcomes Groups about the gaps in need.

Action: Members to send Natasha feedback for the Outcomes Group by 30th June

Action: Someone from Education Authority to come to OG/ LPG to address these issues

Election of Vice-Chair

It was suggested that Natasha and Joan should be joint LPG chairs, the rest of the group agreed with this suggestion.

Member Updates

Community response plan to suicides (Stephanie)- Stephanie is the new representative for the scheme. The current procedure means that there cannot be any intervention until all the appropriate forms are filled in, which usually takes a number of weeks. Stephanie emphasised that this is the most crucial point of intervention.

Action: Stephanie to further outline her role and the plan at the next meeting

Social Investment Fund (Joy)- The SIF Early Intervention project is with the PHA for tender and is accepting applications for lead body. SIF has obtained £800,000 funding for a period of 2.5 years and covers the 9 most deprived areas in South Belfast

Action: Joy to send meeting and application information to Una for circulation

Any Other Business

The OFMDFM partnerships application is on the CYPSP website.

The Community tensions sub group meets once a month as a 'temperature check' from monitoring local tensions. If anyone would like further information, email Una.

Sandy Row Community Centre/ BELB have announced a shortage of at least 47 nursery places and groups are being left to pick up the shortfall.

YouthNet have launched an app called 'Stress heads' for 16-25 year olds to help cope with stress.

Kinship Care NI are evaluating their 'Care for Kin' helpline service, to be circulated.

Action: Una to circulate details

Dates of Future meetings

Thursday 25 th June 2015 @ 10am	Cromac 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