

Belfast Area Outcomes Group—Report Card

April—September 2015

Purpose and Responsibilities

PURPOSE The purpose of an Outcomes Group is to carry out integrated planning and commissioning for children and young people in the area, with specific emphasis on sharing resources across agencies and **early intervention** to improve outcomes for children and young people.

Building the Partnership

Collective use of existing resources



Integrated planning and commissioning

Outcomes Based Planning

Locality Planning and Family Support Hubs

Participation of children, young people, parents and communities

Integrated Planning

Integrated Structures

Outcomes Group / Sub Group BSP

4 Locality Planning Groups Following a mapping of local partnerships 4 Locality Planning Groups were set up with the aim of improving outcomes for children and young people at a local level. These groups are open to all service providers in each of the areas and bring the planning process closer to communities, parents and children and young people.

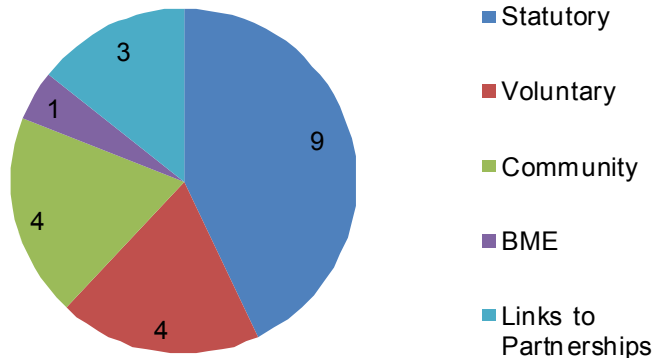
10 Family Support Hubs have been initiated to provide a co-ordinated response to the needs of local families.

Parents Reference Group



What did we do?

Membership breakdown



Building the Partnership

Members from the Voluntary, Community and BME sectors are subject to an application process. A second term process was conducted during 2014, Other members are in attendance to offer updates and information, including information from locality areas and hub referral data.

Partnership effectiveness

A standard survey will be implemented to measure the effectiveness of the partnership. This will include relationship building, shared outcomes, pooled budgets etc.

Links to other partnerships

The Outcomes Group is a sub group of the Belfast Strategic Partnership and fulfils the role of Early Intervention Sub Group.

Linkages are also made through dual membership to the Belfast LCG and the Belfast ChildCare Partnership.

Linkages will be made to Making Life Better and Community Planning.

How well did we do?

How well did we do? Cont..

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Outcomes Based Planning

The Belfast Area Outcomes Group in compiling its second Action Plan has after a series of workshops examining statistics, emerging needs from Locality Planning, early information from Family Support Hubs and a parent reference group decided that the outcomes the Group will work towards as a collective effort over the coming 2 years will be:-

Outcome 1

All children and young people are healthy

Outcome 2

All parents are empowered to support their children

Outcome 3

All children are safe, secure and happy in all elements of their lives

Underpinning Outcome

Children and young people and parents will be involved in the planning process.

Underpinning Outcome

All families have the help and support they need in an appropriate manner

Underpinning Outcome

Children's rights will transcend all outcomes and will be the thread that holds them together

Underpinning Outcome

Partnership working will be enhanced and future commissioning shaped to improve outcomes for all children and young people

Integrated Planning & Commissioning

A second round of procurement has been carried out by the BHSCT in delivering against the outcomes listed. The first round of procurement saw the achievement of a pooled budget from the Delivering Social Change funding. However this has not been replicated in the second round nor has funding been attracted from other Departments or Organisations. The Outcomes Group had the opportunity to input to the geographical location of the Early Intervention Service (EIS) procured by PHA for the Early Intervention Transformation Process. The Family Support Fund in 2015 commissioned 58 projects under the following areas in support of the Outcomes agreed in the planning process.

Priority 1 (Child focused interventions)

To engage vulnerable school age children (4 -18 years), who are at risk of poor outcomes, with a focus on improving **resiliency**. Interventions designed to focus specifically on:

- Children/Young People engaged in anti-social behaviour
- Children/Young People engaged in drug/alcohol misuse and experimentation
- Children / Young People presenting with behavioural / disability issues

Priority 2 (Family focused interventions)

To engage vulnerable families with school age children (4 – 18 years) to support the development of **resiliency** within those families who are at risk of poor outcomes due to pressures on family relationships.

Interventions should be designed to focus specifically on:

- Families experiencing difficulty in managing children's and young people's behavioural issues
- Families experiencing difficulty with familial conflict
- Families experiencing social isolation due to issues of disability, race, ethnicity or poverty

Is anyone better off?

POPULATION ACCOUNTABILITY

During a number of planning workshops the BAOG identified key indicators and actions that will be included in their action plan and will be used to measure if we have made a difference to the outcomes for children and young people Specific indicators are to be refined

PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTABILITY FUNDED SERVICES

Belfast Area Outcomes Group Funded projects:

Performance data will be collected from each of the funded projects as detailed above to show the contribution to population accountability indicators chosen.