

**MINUTES OF THE NORTH BELFAST LOCALITY PLANNING GROUP MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 26th JANUARY AT 10AM IN BELFAST GIRLS MODEL, 35
DUNOWEN GARDENS, BELFAST. BT14 6NQ.**

Present:

Name	Organisation
Katrina Newell	Ashton
Laura Rankin	CYPSP
Gabi Mornhinweg	BHSCT
Christine McKeown	Ashton
Mervyn Bell	Smile Sure Start
Trevor McDaid	NLDCHP
Julie Jamieson	NLDCHP
Jonathan Kennedy	Extern IFSS
Declan Morris	Simon Community
Michelle Harris	Barnardo's Collective Impact
Paula Scott	Home Start
Caroline Milligan	Glenbrook Sure
Kelly Maxwell	NIACRO
Gerry Largey	BHSCT
Natalie Killough	BHSCT
Frances Dowds	Action Cancer
Janice Clarke	Girls Model
Karen McLean	The Vine Centre
Stephen Reid	The Vine Centre

Apologies:

Name:	Organisation:
Una Casey	CYPSP
Declan Davey	Youth Justice Agency
Alison Templeton	New Life Counselling
Laura Forte	Barnardo's
Arthur Atcheson	Ligoniel Village Neighbourhood Partnership

Welcome and Introductions

Katrina wished all a Happy New Year and a round of introductions took place.

Apologies

Were noted as above

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes were agreed as accurate.

Matters Arising

Laura contacted Alan Wilson to come to the meeting, however he was not able to make it. Alan will come to the March meeting to discuss the EA Youth Provision North Belfast area plan with the group.

Katrina gave an update on the residential she attended with the Education Authority North Belfast area unit managers, this gave them an opportunity to help form the area plan. Katrina noted she would be the link person from the youth providers network to the Locality Planning Group and vice versa.

Update- Natalie Killough- Child Development Interventions Co-Ordinator

Natalie gave the group an update about what her role involves and how she will be involved in the Locality Planning Groups in Belfast. The post is funded by the PHA to look at evidence based parenting support programmes such as Strengthening Families, Incredible Years etc. and what the barriers may be to these programmes. Natalie will also be looking at organisations who are working with parents and how to build relationships. She explained that she will also be researching standardised tool and measures of success. Natalie emphasised that the post does not come with funding attached, but that she will be able to shape and show the need for certain programmes. Natalie noted the importance of co-operative working groups such as Locality Planning and the hubs and the importance of drawing the attention of these groups to the Department.

Action Plan.

Outcome 1- Chill and Spill Update (Janice Clarke)

Declan has been working with the organisations involved in Chill and Spill and working with the schools to find out what the need is. Two lunchtimes a week organisations with do programmes, and they Chill and Spill will be spread over 6 weeks. The organisations are working to put a timetable together for after half term. Young people will be given the information and details if they need to link with the organisations more.

The structure of the Girls Model has changed, as the full services have been centralised to a student hub. All services needed will be in one place. There is also data being collected around the trends, such as sickness etc. This could be linked with hub data when collected. It is also positive because it will link the young people with the idea of hubs from a young age and this means they will be comfortable with the Family Support Hubs.

Education event

It was proposed that after the 6 weeks of Chill and Spill there would be an event which would link the hubs, organisations and locality group together. Janice noted that the Girls Model School are having a health fair, which will involve the community and the LPG would be welcome to join together in this initiative. It was pointed out that this would be a good access to post-primary schools, and could lead to something in conjunction with all post-primary schools in North Belfast. It was agreed to invite teachers from other schools to make links and roll it out to other schools after piloting it in Girls Model.

Action: Contact North Belfast Area Learning Community to get a slot in the agenda (Email Janice for details)

Action: Sub group to meet, Laura to send out dates and details

Janice noted that the Area Learning Community are doing a piece of work around recognising the transitions in pre-school from the 2 year old programmes, then from Primary into Post-Primary stage. In doing this the Primary 7's and Year 8 pupils from school will link in with their learning so that it will be a smoother process into the next stage of their education. Members of the LPG noted that it would be good for the schools to link in with youth providers during these summer months so they can provide appropriate summer programmes.

Outcome 2-

Under Outcome 2 of the action plan, it was agreed to take forward the need for appropriate training and measurement of what is already available. In order to do this, members agreed a good way forward would be to document what happens locally in a spread sheet, which is then easily accessible for those looking for training.

Action: Laura to send out and email and groups to fill out details of training they are aware of.

Family Support Hub Update

Central and Outer North hub- Stephen Reid

The hub has now been live for 10 days and there is full coverage for North Belfast. Stephen acknowledged there is a need now to do promotional work to make people aware that the hub is there. The official launch of the hub is due to take place in the Girdwood Centre at the end of March.

Action: Details of the hub to be sent to Laura to circulate

Lower North - Christine McKeown

There have been 45 referrals to the hub so far. The main issues have been emotional and behavioural support, stress reduction, poverty, children awaiting ASD diagnosis. The Hub Co-ordinator has met with schools and presented at the GP federation and now are reaping the benefits and getting more referrals from both these sources.

Gerry noted that it would be good to get more formal and statistical information about twice a year. It may be useful to look at this comparatively with the information available on the CYPSP website. He noted that the Trust are doing some work around ASD/ ADHD waiting lists.

Belfast Outcomes Group Feedback

As yet there is no clarity around funding for the hubs, however members are optimistic as the process so far has been very positive. Katrina noted that she has now joined the Outcomes Group as the North Belfast LPG Chair and members agreed she will be a good link between the hubs and LPG at Outcomes Group level. Kelly made the group aware she has also joined the Belfast Outcomes Group as the voluntary rep. on behalf of NIACRO.

Member Updates

- North Belfast Spring Awakening event is taking place on Saturday 28th March in Alexandra Park and the gates of interface will be opened. This event is aimed at children, young people and families.
- Mervyn noted that he has recently taken up the role as Co-ordinator of Smile SureStart and is keen to be involved in the Locality Planning Group.
- Action Cancer are doing free mens health checks, contact Frances for more information. Members agreed it would be good to link this in with the education event.
- Extern have an Incredible Years Train the Trainer course, which will have 26 places, those who are interested contact Jonathan.

Any Other Business:

Katrina noted that members should look at the action plan and if there are any pieces of work they would like to look at, this can be discussed at the next Locality Planning Group.

Stephen Agnew's Children's Bill may be of interest to members. It will involve those from both health and education sectors.

Action: Members to look at action plan and decide on work to be taken forward

Dates of upcoming Meetings:

Tuesday 22 nd March 2016 @ 10am	Girdwood Community Hub
Tuesday 24 th May 2016 @ 10am	TBC
Tuesday 26 th July 2016 @ 10am	TBC
Tuesday 27 th September 2016 @ 10am	TBC
Tuesday 29 th November 2016 @ 10am	TBC