

Dungannon Locality Planning Group - Minutes

Thursday, 12 November 2015 at 10.00am in Gardeners Hall, Dungannon

<p>Chair: Joanne McCourt (Belfast Central Mission) Facilitator: Annie Clarke (CYPSP Locality Development Officer) Attendees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Claire Jennings (EA – EWO) - Helen Cranney (Closing the Gap, MUDC & ACBCBC) - Lorraine O'Neill (EA – DELTA: Parenting Partnership) - Marie Skelton (South West College: SUSE) - Marie Therese Cassin (Cedar Foundation) - Matt Graham (Vineyard Church) - Matthew Williamson (Cedar Foundation) - Ros Ewing (Home-Start Armagh and Dungannon) - Shauna Quinn (STEP) 	<p>Apologies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Anna Reid (Simon Community) - Celene O'Neill (Mid Ulster Council – PCSP) - Fiona McCormick (Nexus) - Jacqueline Connolly (SHSCT) - Keith Jamieson (PSNI) - Laura Rodgers (Disability Action) - Mid-Ulster Women's Aid - Nuala Haughey (CYPSP) - Pat McGeough (Barnardo's: Young People's Partnership, Armagh & Dungannon) - Rosie Carey (EA Youth Service – Southern Region)
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<p>Welcome/ Introductions Joanne welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Attendees introduced themselves.</p>	Members were asked to sign in.
<p>Apologies A number of apologies were recorded (as noted above).</p>	
<p>Previous Minutes Joanne worked through the actions of the previous minutes. No amendments noted.</p>	
<p>Draft Action Plan and Evidence of Need Top three priorities to be taken forward by the Dungannon Locality Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bullying • Domestic Violence • Support for families (including BME Families) 	
<p>Draft Progress Report – Actions to address Priorities The updated draft Progress Report can be viewed on page 4.</p>	Members to feedback comments on the Draft Progress Report to Nuala/Annie.

Member Agency Update

Vineyard Church (Matt Graham) to send information on Christmas hampers/foodbank referrals to Annie/Nuala. Youth After-school takes place on a Wednesday with 20-25 people in attendance; Lava runs on a Friday night in the Storehouse from 7pm – 8.30pm for Year 8 – 12 and includes a range of activities; The Green Room runs on a Friday night from 8.30pm – 10pm for Year 12 - 21 years but is currently experiencing a drop in numbers.

Education Welfare Service (Claire Jennings): Primary Attendance Matters – pilot at present: Key Stage 1: puppet shows (preventative); Key Stage 2: interactive board game; School/teachers taking a role in the in delivering this; open to all primary schools.

Closing the Gap (Helen Cranney): Women's activity programme running in Clonoe and Galbally. Helen to liaise with Mary Rose Martin at Cedar re: programme focusing on Autism.

Home-Start (Ros Ewing): Currently have a short waiting list (6); Ruth Briggs is retiring and funding for Ros' post ends March 2016 – uncertainty at present; Continue to run activities at Christmas

Delta (Lorraine O'Neill): Delta - Parenting Partnership Manager – Southern Trust/EA area; Incredible Years will be in Dungannon on Tuesdays from February 2016 at 10am – 12 noon (parents only). Same in Lurgan on Wednesdays in February 2016. Mellow Parenting Programme held in Dungannon with a great uptake. This is a PHA funded programme with transport, crèche and dinner provided. Mellow Parenting programme also available in Newry area, with the possibility of hosting a Mellow Parenting Programme in Armagh area.

Lorraine had a query which she raised with the group regarding a mother (living outside the Dungannon LP area) having difficulties with her 21-year old son who is behaving defiantly towards her and is using drugs. Lorraine was signposted to a number of organisations that may be able to support the mother and the son including Space NI (Jacinta Linden).

South West College (Marie Skelton): SUSE+ Programme is available in the Dungannon/Cookstown area. SUSE+ provides support for those young people (16+years) seeking employment. Minimum 10 hours £25 per week (young people). New courses will be held in January 2016. The programme will be launched on Tuesday, 24 November 2015 at the Cookstown Campus from 11am – 1pm.

Cedar Foundation (Marie-Therese Cassin) Covers the Southern Trust area. Currently supporting 14 families with disabled young people aged 8-17 years. The foundation also short break services and supports

Send through Jacinta's number to Lorraine.

access to youth clubs, leisure centre etc.

“Right 4 U” – programme for 12 young people with ASD in Armagh/Dungannon areas taken forward by Mary Rose. Included 1:1 mentor support to fill out applications, find courses, identify job opportunities etc. Another application is required to continue this work.

Youth Matters is very busy with 7 – 8 young people attending swimming sessions in Dungannon. Seeking to work with up to 15 young people Under 18 years. This is an open referral programme and includes a range of activities including swimming, arts and crafts. Marie-Therese to liaise with Lorraine regarding real lives Bullying survey: keen for young people to be involved in this survey. Look at opportunities to include young people in the survey.

STEP (Shauna Quinn): 34 families are currently support by floating support workers. Homelessness Awareness Event will be held on Thursday, 3 December 2015

Belfast Central Mission (Joanne McCourt): 70 young people support (at max capacity). Heat and Eat Event was very well attended. BCM organise Toy and food hampers at Christmas, recipients must be service users. BCM will host a Christmas dinner for 80 service users in Quinn’s Corner on Thursday, 17 December 2015.

Annie (CYPSP): Dungannon 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.

Next Meeting:

Date: Thursday, 21 January 2016

Time: 10.00am

Venue: Gardeners Hall, Dungannon

Thank you all for attending and contributing to the meeting

Progress Report

Priority: To address Bullying; however motivated

Action	Lead Responsibility	Progress to date
<p>To undertake a baseline of training/activities that have been delivered to date:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Who were the target audience? - Who provided the training/activity? - What did it cover? 	<p>Locality Members</p> <p>Locality Officer</p> <p>Locality Admin</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LPG Members agreed to forward information to Annie regarding previous, current and future activities taking place under the theme of Bullying in the Dungannon Area. • Celene forwarded information on local activities undertaken by PCSP/PSNI. • Helen advised that the council were not involved in organising the awareness sessions held in Clonoe in June 2015. • A draft Survey has been compiled and will be submitted to the Anti-Bullying Forum for comments prior to the survey being undertaken.
<p>Invite Fiona McCormack (Development Worker for Nexus NI in Southern Trust area) to a locality meeting to discuss the New Possibilities Programme (post primary – 25 years) which prevents the risk of sexual violence and focuses on internet safety and online sexual exploitation</p>	<p>Joanne McCourt – Locality Chair/BCM</p> <p>Nuala Haughey – Locality Administrator</p>	<p>Fiona was scheduled to attend the recent Dungannon LPG meeting; however she was unable to attend at the last minute. Fiona is keen to come along to the next meeting.</p>

Agreed Next Steps

Action	Lead Responsibility

Priority: Reduce the levels of Children and Young People experiencing Domestic Violence

Action	Lead Responsibility	Progress to date
Raise awareness among Locality Members of Domestic Violence	Caroline McGahan (Mid-Ulster Women's Aid) Locality Administrator	Domestic Violence Awareness session with Mid-Ulster Women's Aid took place in Gardeners Hall, Dungannon on Thursday, 10 September 2015. 22 practitioners attended this event.
Raising awareness of the services and support available in the Dungannon areas and promoting the work of organisations such as Mid Ulster Women's Aid	Locality Group Members	All locality members are aware of drop in facility provided by Woman's Aid through FSWG and have been encouraged to cascade this information through their organisations
Raise awareness among children and young people about what constitutes a healthy relationship through liaising with schools, youth groups and organisations who deliver training sessions including Mid Ulster Women's Aid and Nexus NI	Mid Ulster Woman's Aid	
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Promotion of Mid Ulster Woman's Aid in Dungannon (location at First Steps, opening hours, promotion of services); newspapers; information delivered to GP surgeries, South Tyrone Hospital, local agencies	Locality Members
Invite ONUS (Women's Aid) to deliver an awareness session on Safe Place.	Locality Officer

Priority: Support for families (including BME Families)

Action	Lead Responsibility	Progress to date
On-going promotion of the Family Support Hubs	Dungannon LPG Members	Members continue to promote the FSH and referral clients to the FSH for support
Dungannon and Armagh Hub host to update on Hubs at each Locality meeting.	Pat McGeough (FSH Co-ordinator)	Pat continues to provide regular updates on the work of the Family Support Hub at locality meetings.
Organisations including BCM, STEP, Sure Start to discuss and identify where the gaps are in terms of support for families	Joanne McCourt (BCM) Edel Fox (STEP) Siobhan Wallace (Sure Start)	Joanne and STEP have met and discussed gaps in service. STEP will look at funding for further work; Joanne is seeking funding to extend the Parent Support Service as funding ceases in December 2015. A number of funding applications have been submitted and are awaiting decisions.
Greater promotion of services and support that is available in the Dungannon area including MARA project, Foodbank.	Locality Members Locality Admin Locality Officer	Need for greater awareness of the support available for parents of children with ASD, especially practical support. There is a foodbank organised by the Vineyard Church in Dungannon called Reach. The church also organise a Christmas Hamper Project and Locality members are invited to make referrals to this project.

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The Southern Outcomes Group are taking forward a Pilot Programme in Coalisland to improve school attendance levels and to address issues impacting on school attendance specifically among BME and Traveller families and families of children who are not achieving 85% attendance levels. Locality members are asked to complete the pro-forma on the support and services they currently provide in the Coalisland area, what the level of uptake of these services is and where the gaps are. Annie to send out the Pro-forma for completion.	Locality Officer Locality Members
There is a foodbank organised by the Vineyard Church in Dungannon called Reach. The church also organise a Christmas Hamper Project and Locality members are invited to make referrals to this project.	Matt (Vineyard Church) Locality Members