

**CHILDREN'S SERVICES PLANNING
MINUTES OF BALLYMONEY LOCALITY GROUP**

**FRIDAY 8th JULY 2016 AT 10.00AM
BALLYMONEY COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE**

Attending:	Iain McAfee	<i>Parent/Comm Rep (Chair)</i>
	Claire McKay	<i>NICMA</i>
	Clair McLaughlin	<i>BCRC</i>
	Karen Millar	<i>Homestart Causeway</i>
	Kaye Cormack	<i>Phoenix ADHD Project</i>
	Sandra Anderson	<i>CYPSP</i>
	Maire Buckley	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i>
	Nica McCartney	<i>MENCAP</i>
	Wendy Burgees	<i>Start360 Connections Service</i>
Apologies:	Gemma Lutton	<i>CYPSP</i>
	Patricia Harte	<i>Action Mental Health</i>
	Selena Ramsey	<i>CYPSP</i>
	Veronica McKinley	<i>NACN</i>

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Iain welcome everyone to the meeting and invited a round of introductions.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes were agreed as being a true and accurate recording of the previous meeting held on **Friday 11th March 2016**.

MATTERS ARISING

Iain informed members about the attachment DVD and noted that anyone who wishes to borrow it can contact Selena.

PRESENTATION

Gary Mullan from Community Planning for Causeway Coast and Glens presented a presentation on their future community engagement plans. Presentation provided with minutes.

FEEDBACK BACK - START 360 NETWORKING EVENT

Start 360 in partnership with CYPSP held a networking event on Friday 13th May in Loughguile Millennium Centre. Feedback from members was that it was a successful event and more events like this would be useful.

Discussions included that it was beneficial for attendees to all share their service information with everyone rather than continually repeating. It was noted that some attendees found this difficult and slightly intimidating speaking out.

In addition members shared that having stands and leaflets was very visual and worked better and enhanced the information being provided.

Wendy noted that in future it would be better to have just one or two information e-mails sent out to attendees; as it was difficult to keep track of all the information that was being sent out at different times in relation to; attendance, stands, workshop etc.

If anyone would like to receive a list of attendees/ organisations contact Gemma Lutton.

UPDATE – BELIEVE IN YOUTH

Believe in Youth Peer mentors are offering a Mocktails stand over the summer months. This is an opportunity for people to have fun making cocktails without the alcohol. If anybody is interesting in having them at a youth event please contact; sandra.ramsey@northerntrust.hscni.net

UPDATE – CHILL AND SPILL INITIATIVES

Evaluations completed with both initiatives highlighting very positive feedback from the young people who attend on a regular basis. Recommendations from evaluations emphasized the importance of ensuring that all young people are well informed regarding the aim of the initiative.

Ballymoney High School - Name change to Engage

A re-launch of the programme will commence in September with the new year 11 and 12 pupils. Gemma will organise preparation of the new promotional materials for September 2016.

Our Lady of Lourdes – Discuss with No Fuss

Gerry from Start 360 has confirmed that Start 360 will be able to take over as lead co-ordinator commencing in September. Gerry and Amy – Start360 had a meeting with Our Lady of Lourdes to discuss next steps of the initiative. It was agreed at this meeting that both initiatives would have a stronger link with the schools and have interlinked themed weeks as in conjunction with the school. Examples include; Mental Health Awareness, Anti Bullying etc.

UPDATE – OBESITY ENGAGEMENT

Sandra informed members about a new Obesity engagement initiative that is happening in September 2016 involving our Lady of Lourdes. Statistics for overweight and obese children in Year 8 in the Ballymoney Locality are very high. The initiative involves CYPSP working in partnership with Sabrina Lynn Northern Obesity Partnership, Claire Ramsey, Dietitian, Veronica Kelly, School nurse & Nicola Arbuckle, Physical Activity co-coordinator. Engagement will be completed with year 8 pupils to identify what support/information they would be interested in, in terms of nutrition/diet/exercise. Once the engagement is completed it is anticipated that a programme will be put in place to provide advice, support, information and exercise opportunities. The initiative will commence with Year 8 pupils but it is planned to engagement with Year 8 parents and at a later stage throughout the engagement.

Engagement with primary 1 parents is planned but further information on this will be available at a later date.

ACTION PLANNING

Members reviewed the action plan and noted priorities to be included.

Mental Health

Mental Health of children young people, parents and families. Feedback from members was that it is concerning the number of referrals that they have coming back to them from CAMHS that they are unable to provide a service for. Feedback

from the schools was that they need external organisations to provide suicide/self-harm support for children and young people.

Obesity

Tackling obesity and unhealthy diets amongst children, young people and parents.

Inclusion & Disability

Need a disability friendly society to encourage inclusion for young people in terms of employment and training.

Educational Achievement

Supporting parents / parental support / Effective parent modelling

Life skills for children and young people

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

Kaye Cormack – Phoenix ADHD

Phoenix ADHD have received some funding to deliver some educational programmes. Funding applications have been submitted to Big Lottery & Children in Need for funding to continue providing support.

Wendy Burgees - Connections Service

Targeting football clubs and weight clubs to provide Drug and Alcohol advice and information. Linking in with Sports Development Officers.

Claire McKay - NICMA

Training still continuing. Unregistered child minding is an issue in the Causeway Cost and Glens area and needs to be addressed.

Increased frequency of grandparents child-minding who are frequently unfit for this.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Sandra informed members that CYPSP will no longer be able to pay for room hire due to budget cuts and asked if any members know of any free rooms available in the Ballymoney Locality. Máire from Our Lady of Lourdes informed members that we would be able to host the Locality meetings in their school with no charge. Gemma to contact Máire regarding this and to schedule in dates for the forthcoming meetings.

Action: Gemma

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is to be held on Friday 16th September with a venue to be confirmed.