

**CHILDREN'S SERVICES PLANNING  
MINUTES OF BUSHMILLS LOCALITY GROUP MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2016 AT 2.30PM  
BUSHMILLS COMMUNITY HOUSE**

<b>Attending:</b>	Derwyn Brewster	<i>BREF</i>
	Dustin Moretz	<i>Corrymeela</i>
	Gemma Lutton	<i>CYPSP (Minute Taker)</i>
	Karin Eyben	<i>Corrymeela</i>
	Lorraine Connor	<i>PSNI</i>
	Selena Ramsey	<i>CYPSP</i>

<b>Apologies:</b>	Sharon Kirk	<i>Surestart</i>
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**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Derwyn welcomed everyone to the meeting today and apologies were noted.

**REVIEW – YOUNG PEOPLES OUT OF SCHOOL SERVICES**

Karin and Dustin attended today's meeting to give an overview of the young people's out of school services report.

Karin provided background information and explained Corrymeela were commissioned by the Bushmills Locality Planning Group to undertake a 'snapshot review' of out of school activities for young people aged 12-17 years in Bushmills. The methodology was also explained with relevant statistics used, a survey and conversations with individuals and groups.

Survey

The report explores survey results. Both adults and young people were questioned in order to get a sense of current provision and activities in Bushmills. Results of these completed surveys were provided by Dustin. There have been 23 responses from young people to date. Karin noted more responses could be obtained and she has asked Tara to connect with the girls she is working with.

Responses to date are as follows:

- 26 adult responses
- 23 responses from young people

From the adult responses specific recommendations were given on how to make Bushmills better for young people. These recommendations were given to the group. Selena provided information on a Nurturing programme and said Surestart has built good relationships with parents. Selena noted if interested the nurturing programme could take place alongside the Surestart picking up on the old relationships gained. Selena and Sandra are both trained in this 10 week Nurturing programme and it could work if it was co delivered with Surestart due to the Crèche facilities.

### Parent Programme Potential

Discussions took place around the need for this support. A meeting with Sharon, School Nursing and Health Visiting is to take place. There are a lot of referrals to Family Support Hubs with parents not coping with teenagers. A strengthening Families programme has been offered in the past but hasn't been successful. Selena will update on further progress with a parent programme offering support at the next meeting.

**ACTION: Selena**

Derwyn provided information on the current parking issues in Bushmills. Plans are in place for a new play park for the top of the town. There are also noise pollution issues due to the traffic through Bushmills. There have been a number of meetings already regarding the issues for extending the car parking.

### Future Plans / Current Tender

Selena noted prior to retendering it would be beneficial to have the partners that you want involved on board. Group could have a good steer in terms of how the project works. Suggestions were given for the Den space to remain but it could be rebranded and only used as a drop in, the drop in space to be manned by Youth Workers and programmes delivered to be life skills based.

Selena meets with Tracy Magill next week regarding the tendering process. It was noted for relationships to be built within the community and provide a service that is a whole package and ensure there are the resources to deliver.

Karin noted The French Rooms have agreed to facilitate a meeting and this will help keep momentums and could host this the last week in November. This will help

create partnerships and have in place before retendering. The group agreed this is a good idea and would be very beneficial to take place.

## **PLANNING - BUSHMILLS CONSULTANT EVENING**

Discussions took place regarding planning this meeting and the following things to consider:

- Invites
- Location – French Rooms have offered to host
- Have to be clear in agenda and intention of the evening
- Questions asked are to be clear
- Who will want to be part of new management structure
- Food – young woman can help make food for the evening
- People sharing why they are involved with young people
- What life is like for specific percentage of young people in Bushmills
- Who wants to take part in management committee

This evening will be planned for Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm in French Rooms, Bushmills. The evening will be hosted by Stella, French Rooms.

Karin will plan a meeting to look at the night further with Stella. This is planned for 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 12 noon. Karin will send a draft invite for the evening.

**ACTION: Karin**

## **FINANCE UPDATE**

A financial update was shared with the group.

The social media DVD had to be redone and is in the process of being completed.

A large cupboard is to be removed and there will be associated costs. Derwyn also noted the young people would like to complete a healthy eating programme and make a meal in the Church Hall around Christmas.

## **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The meeting scheduled for 23<sup>rd</sup> November was agreed not to go ahead and instead help plan and organise the event on 30<sup>th</sup> November.

Information will be circulated when a date is confirmed.