

**CHILDREN'S SERVICES PLANNING
MINUTES OF CAUSEWAY COAST & GLENS LOCALITY PARTNERSHIP**

**THURSDAY 9TH MARCH 2017 AT 10.00AM
BALLYMONEY COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE**

Attending:	Aine O'Hare	<i>Can - Best Buddies</i>
	Amy Selby	<i>Start360/N-GAGE</i>
	Brenda McAteer	<i>Early Years Team – NHSCT</i>
	Claire Crowe	<i>NHSCT</i>
	Clare McKay	<i>NICMA</i>
	Carriann Rainey	<i>Cedar Foundation</i>
	Gemma Lutton	<i>CYPSP (Minute Taker)</i>
	Ian McAfee	<i>Parent/Community Rep</i>
	Janice Armstrong	<i>Public Health Agency</i>
	Lorraine Connor	<i>PSNI</i>
	Lyn Moffett	<i>BCRC</i>
	Maureen McCaughan	<i>Homestart</i>
	Marie McCool	<i>Autism NI</i>
	Patricia Lindsay	<i>Barnardos</i>
	Selena Ramsey	<i>CYPSP</i>
	Sharon Kirk	<i>Dalriada Rural Sure Start</i>
	Veronica McKinley	<i>NACN</i>
Apologies:	Amanda Elliott	<i>NACN</i>
	Fiona Johnston	<i>Brook</i>
	Karen Cooke	<i>Early Years</i>
	Karin Eyben	<i>Corrymeela</i>
	Sandra Anderson	<i>CYPSP</i>
	Tanya McVicker	<i>EA NI</i>
	Veronica Kelly	<i>School Nurse</i>
	Wendy Burgees	<i>Start360</i>

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Brenda welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited a round of introductions.

POWERPOINT / PHOTOSHOOT OF BALLYMONEY AND MOYLE LEGACY LOCALITY PLANNING GROUP ACHIEVEMENTS

Selena presented background information of both the Ballymoney and Moyle Locality Groups and the achievements since they were launched (presentation attached with minutes).

REVIEW CURRENT ACTIONS/NEXT STEPS

In order to merge the action plans, with the Ballymoney and Moyle groups joining, an action planning session took place involving all members. Members looked at current actions from both groups to establish what actions they would like to remain and things to do collectively under each of the actions. This will be drafted and shared at the next meeting.

ACTION: Selena

UPDATE – OBESITY ENGAGEMENT

Selena provided an update on the Obesity Subgroup during her presentation to the group. A pilot programme covering health/nutrition and physical activity has been developed following the last meeting and will be rolled out within Our Lady of Lourdes from January – June 2017. It is hoped to incorporate Health & Emotional Wellbeing Initiatives into the Schools Health & Wellbeing Action Plan and the group are working with the School to develop a Health & Wellbeing Policy.

Initiatives to be implemented and included within the Health & Wellbeing Policy include:

- Free access to water in schools
- Steps challenge
- Walk a mile a day/week
- Healthy breaks policy
- Continuation of conversation volunteers project
- Continued nutrition information and physical activity opportunities

- Continued Emotional and Wellbeing sessions for pupils

Sandra will provide further feedback as the initiative progresses.

ACTION: Sandra

UPDATE – JOINT YOUTH COUNCIL EVENT

Selena provided background information with the plan to showcase Locality Planning Groups in partnership with EA NI Youth Council as a result of a previous action planning session. Challenges were noted as 3 different teams are coming together for this piece of work across the areas represented. The groups of young people have been brought together and discussions have taken place.

The next phase is for the young people to have residential in Corrymeela and complete more 'get to know each other' sessions to build relationships. Selena will provide updates on this as the project continues.

ACTION: Selena

UPDATE – FAMILY SUPPORT HUB

Selena noted funding for the Family Support Hubs has been extended for another year.

MEMBER UPDATES

Selena Ramsey – CYPSP

A Changing Childhood Conference will be held on Wednesday 22nd March from 9.30am – 1.00pm in the Burnavon Cookstown. The Conference will look at how some children and parents have become addicted to modern day technology and unhealthy food. The effects these have on both the child and parent as well as exploring the parent child relationship, children's behaviour, child development and modern day to day family life. Speakers on the day will include Fey Cole, Jason Gonzalez, Bridin McKenna and Aine Wallace. Anyone interested in attending were asked to let Gemma know.

Sharon Kirk – Dalriada Rural Sure Start

The Quarter plan is completed for Dalriada Rural Sure Start. Sharon provided information on a new programme 'reflexology' for parents and babies which will be rolled out to parents. This will teach parents techniques such as pressure points in the feet to make babies relaxed etc. Books will also be purchased to support the new programme. Some of the Family Visitors and Early Years Team are being trained in the Solihull approach and they will be able to be facilitators for other Sure Starts.

Maureen McCaughan - Homestart

Homestart have gained 3 newly qualified volunteers and Maureen noted there is always the need for more. Play away days have been organised for families in Corrymeela. The Incredible Years programme is going well.

Amy Selby – Start360

The Chill and Spill Initiatives are going well in both Schools. Amy is enjoying working with the group of young people in Our Lady of Lourdes and have built good relationships with young people. Funding has been secured for both Schools for the enhancement of the initiatives. Funds for Our Lady of Lourdes will be used to purchase a music player for the room, carry out a paint project with the purchase of materials as well as 6 tables to be used in the room. Ballymoney High's initiative is continuing to run well and they will be purchasing new blinds for the windows and completing an art project with the young people creating coffee tables and an art piece for the wall.

Carriann Rainey – Cedar Foundation

Cedar Foundation supported 14 families from April, 12 families are currently being supported and there is a small waiting list being held. Feedback from families has been excellent. Carriann noted the Contract is now moved to the Northern HSC Trust. It Carriann is looking at bringing young people together and completing 12 week programmes and also completing individual work with young people from 4-18 year olds. The current outlook services covers 0-18 year olds.

Veronica McKinley – NACN

Veronica is starting a Health & Wellbeing programme in Dunclug Primary next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning using Capacitor training techniques.

Veronica will provide feedback on this programme when complete. The Promoting Mental Health & Suicide Prevention Grants should come out in April.

Aine O'Hare – CAN

Information was provided on a new programme CAN are delivering which is Big Lottery funded. The programme involves working with young people with learning disabilities and has 2 tiers.

Tier One – working with young people on a one to one basis all around life skills enabling young people to take control over their own lives and move towards new stage of adulthood.

Tier Two – offering family support and providing information and guidance around transition and the options available after School.

The target area includes Ballymoney for year one of the programme and will cover council areas of Causeway Coast and Glens and Mid & East Antrim. The project will work with young people aged 12-25 years old. Leaflets were distributed.

Marie McCool – Autism NI

Marie provided information on Autism NI's helpline and made reference to the family support office based in Belfast. Information on current events/training can be found on the Facebook page. Families who don't have a diagnosis but going through the process can still attend some of the information sessions.

Lynn Moffett – BCRC

Ballymoney Community Resource Centre is an umbrella body for Access NI and support organisations with safeguarding, policy development and child protection. Clare remains in post within BCRC and Denise is due to return shortly. The Rock School is coming into Year 2 of the programme creating great opportunities for young people.

Clare McKay – NICMA

NICMA have finished rolling out core training to all registered child minders. Pop up information sessions have taken place in a number of places to try and encourage

more child-minders to become registered. The Causeway Child-minding group are completing a mind-set workshop.

Brenda McAteer – Early Years Team

Brenda is working with the Northern Trust to try and increase the number of registered child-minders. Inspections carried out will all be published online and this process will start in the next few weeks. Brenda noted this will be her last meeting and her post will not be replaced. Thanks were given to Brenda for all her continuous work with locality planning over the years.

Janice Armstrong – PHA

The Public Health Agency fund a number of projects and information on some examples of projects funded was given. There have been recent cuts to the staff team and existing staff may align to locality areas.

Lorraine Connor – PSNI

Lorraine noted she will be retiring from Policing and this will also be her last meeting. Thanks were given to Lorraine for her involvement in Locality Planning and for her work over the previous years.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Brook – ‘First Period’ Packs

Fiona couldn't attend today's meeting but wanted to share information to the group on 'First Period' packs. These packs are for 10-12 year olds and if anyone knows of any Schools, Youth Groups or Girls Brigade groups that would be interested in a 3 week body changes programme, were the girls will receive these 'first period' packs alongside to get in touch with Fiona Johnston – Education Worker Brook. Fiona can be contacted by email fiona.johnston@brook.org.uk or on 078 5124 3477.

DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is to be held on **Wednesday 17th May 2017 at 10am** with a venue to be confirmed.