

CYPSP meeting

23 January 2017

Mossely Mill, Newtownabbey

Attendance:

Liam Hannaway Newry, Mourne and Down District Council (Vice Chair – Chaired the meeting)
 Marie Cavanagh, Gingerbread NI
 Jim Clarke, CCMS
 Michael Donnelly, Department for Communities
 Clare Mangan, Education Authority
 Paddy Mooney, Include Youth
 Cheryl Lamont, PBNI
 Pauline Leeson, CiNI
 Fionnuala McAndrew, HSCB
 Anne Marie McClure, Start 360
 Paul Morgan, SHSCT
 Joanne Neil, Bryson Charity
 Marie Roulston, NHSCT
 Dawn Shaw, Action for Children
 Rosie McNaughton, Cedar Foundation
 Lesley Walker, BHSCT
 Una Lernihan, HSCB
 Dawn Thompson, Bryson OBO Jo Marley
 Eamon Mullan, NIHE, OBO Anne Sweeney
 Brendan Whittle, SEHSCT

Apologies:

Hugh McCaughey, SEHSCT
 Kieran Downey, WHSCT
 Anne Sweeny, OBO, Clark Bailie, NIHE
 Gillian Gibson, Footprints
 Caroline Harper, PHA
 Bernie McNally, SBNI
 Dr. Michael McBride, BHSCT
 Bernadette McAliskey, STEP
 Declan McGeown, YJA
 Valerie Watts, HSCB (Chair)
 Elaine Way, WHSCT
 Brenda MacQueen, Dry Arches Children's Centre
 Maura Muldoon, PBNI
 Anne Sweeney, NIHE
 Una Turbitt, PHA
 Paul Yam, WAH HEP
 Eileen Thompson, Cedar Foundation

In Attendance:

Maurice Leeson, HSCB
 Valerie Maxwell, HSCB
 Helen Dunn, HSCB
 Una Casey, HSCB
 Annie Clarke, HSCB
 Stephanie Thompson, HSCB

| Agenda Item | What was Discussed/Decision | Lead |
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| Welcome | <p>Mr Liam Hannaway (Vice Chair for CYPSP) chaired the meeting in the absence of Ms Valerie Watts.</p> <p>It was agreed at the beginning of the meeting that in light of Ms Valerie Watts's recent appointment as CEO for HSCB/PHA that Mr Hugh McCaughey, SEHSCT will chair the meetings from May 2017 onwards.</p> <p>Mr Hannaway welcomed members to the meeting</p> | |

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| | and apologies were noted as above. | |
| Minutes of the last meeting 21 September 2016 | The minutes of the CYPSP workshop held on 21 September 2016 were agreed | |
| Matters Arising | <p>Cooperation between CYPSP and Commissioners Office</p> <p>Mr Leeson updated members on the discussions that had taken place between CYPSP and the office of the Children’s Commissioner re potential items for cooperation. Options are currently being considered and CYPSP will be notified of the outcome</p> <p>Action: Mr Leeson to share the options paper and outcome with members</p> <p>NIE Child Poverty Workshop Group</p> <p>Mr Leeson has advised that CYPSP have been allocated a space on the NIE Child Poverty Working Group. Mr Leeson has requested a briefing from the NIE on the role of this group and potential remit for CYPSP to be involved.</p> <p>Action: Mr Leeson to provide an update at the next meeting</p> <p>Interface with Community Planning</p> <p>Mr Leeson has advised that he has met with all Local Government Community Planning Teams re linkages between community planning and CYPSP. Mr Leeson noted that most community plans have referenced working with CYPSP to deliver upon the children and young people’s priorities arising in local government areas. Community Planning Teams have established linkages between outcomes groups and locality planning groups. Representation from Local Council at CYPSP meetings has been maintained. Mr Leeson reported positive developments that will continue.</p> <p>Ms Thompson noted that all Local Government Community Plans are now out for consultation. All member organisations were encouraged to read their relevant plans and submit a response.</p> | <p>Maurice Leeson</p> <p>Maurice Leeson</p> |

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| <p>4. CYPSP membership paper</p> | <p>Mr Leeson brought members attention to the CYPSP membership paper. He explained how the CYPSP has amalgamated over recent years in response to structural changes of statutory agencies; 44 member agencies currently attended CYPSP meetings of which we have amalgamated. For example: one education authority representative in place of 5 representatives, one local government in place of five local councils are now attending.</p> <p>Mr Leeson informed members that the five outcomes group chairs from the HSC Trusts will now attend the CYPSP meeting in place of the Trust CEOs. Ms Mangan stated it might be useful to have a second education sector representative in attendance.</p> <p>A conversation took place in relation to Departmental representation. Mr Leeson noted Department for Communities and Department of Justice are in attendance as they have no delivery agencies. Mr Clarke suggested a consideration to invite Department for Economy to future meetings</p> <p>Action: As outlined in the CYPSP membership paper Mr Hannaway and Ms Mangan to seek agreement from their agencies that they are content with one member representing at CYPSP meetings.</p> | <p>Mr Hannaway Ms Mangan</p> |
| <p>5. Refreshed Terms of Reference for Outcomes Groups, Locality Groups and Regional Subgroups</p> | <p>Mr Leeson shared with members the refreshed terms of reference for Outcomes Groups, Locality Planning Groups and Regional Subgroups. The paper has been agreed by Outcomes Group and Regional Subgroup chairs at their last meeting in early January.</p> <p>Action: CYPSP to share the Terms of Reference paper with LPG chairs to seek agreement</p> | <p>Mr Leeson / Ms Casey</p> |
| <p>6. EA proposal</p> | <p>Ms Mangan informed members of a recent strategic review that has been underway to examine the access to early years. A number of engagement sessions have taken place with parents of children and young people with additional needs. The engagement sessions brought to light the need to enhance clarity and communication of services that exist and how to access locally. DENI and Education Authority</p> | |

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| | <p>would like to explore ways of working better to address such issues in partnership with the HSC sector via the Trusts.</p> <p>A high level paper will be out for consultation post elections that will propose how this work will be taken forward. Unfortunately there will be no opportunities for CYPSP to shape the paper prior to consultation. Ms Mangan requested that CYPSP consider establishing a regional working group to co-design and co-delivery this piece of work. It is anticipated that implementation may commence from September 2017.</p> <p>Mr Morgan drew to member's attention that we need to be realistic and manage expectations in light of the constraints on EANI and Health sector currently.</p> <p>Mr Leeson welcomed this option and highlighted that the request aligns with the new task and finish role that the regional subgroups are taking forward. Members agreed that an appropriate engagement strategy will need to be developed to take this work forward collectively through existing partnerships.</p> <p>Action: A Working Group to be established when the proposal paper is out for consultation. Ms Mangan to address the meeting in May 2016.</p> | Ms Mangan |
| <p>7. Consultation on the Draft Children's Strategy</p> | <p>Members were reminded of the NIE Draft Children and Young People's Strategy which is out for consultation. The new strategy references CYPSP and its multi-agency information system and outcomes monitoring reports which will be applied to the reporting of delivery against the new strategy.</p> <p>It has been recommended that member organisations respond to the draft strategy. Ms McAndrew highlighted to members that CYPSP has no budget and with minimised resources to support the duties of CYPSP and its delivery functions that member organisations will consider this in their consultation response.</p> <p>The CYPSP Support Team will circulate member organisations consultation responses with the group as requested.</p> | |

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| | <p>Ms Leeson invited members to attend the CiNI consultation event on the draft strategy that will be held at CiNI on 3 February.</p> <p>A second consultation workshop in partnership with Youth ActionNI will be held on 13 February on behalf of DE will bring together young people from across Northern Ireland to share their views on the draft strategy.</p> <p>Action: CYPSP to share the invitation for these events</p> | Mr Leeson |
| 8. Children's Partnership Arrangements | <p>Mr Leeson directed members to the recently published consultation document, Department of Health Adoption and Children's Bill. Chapter three of the Bill was discussed in detail during the meeting in relation to the children's partnership proposals that set out the proposed reform of SBNI, CYPSP, Regional Subgroups and Outcomes Groups. Including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Placing CYPSP on a statutory footing – to be rebranded as the Regional CYPSP (RCYPSP) • RCYPSP to be chaired by an independent individual – it was noted during the meeting that there is currently no budget to support this proposal • Placing the Outcomes Groups on a statutory footing – there was some discussion in relation to the accountability and regulations that might be placed on the Outcomes Groups to deliver a 3 year plan. <p>Action: It has been recommended that member organisations submit a response to the Adoption and Children's Bill. The CYPSP Support Team will circulate member organisations consultation responses with the group as requested.</p> <p>Ms Leeson, CiNI has agreed to share the CiNI consultation response with member organisations in advance to the closing date on 27 April 2017.</p> | <p>Maurice Leeson</p> <p>Pauline Leeson</p> |
| 9. Family Support Hub Report | <p>Ms Dunn shared the 2016 Family Support Hub Core Members report with members. Ms Dunn said that CYPSP has been encouraged by the response and the impacts of the hubs on agencies and service users. The findings demonstrated an increase in service user engagement, access to</p> | |

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| | <p>services and greater partnership working over the last year. Ms Dunn reported that unmet need identified through the hubs has been picked up through the outcomes groups and locality planning groups for action.</p> <p>Mr Leeson noted that there is hope to enhance the hubs from the DH Minister, Michelle O'Neill through her vision to reform of the HSC.</p> <p>Ms Shaw highlighted about the declining community/voluntary sector agencies supporting families in local areas. This comment was endorsed by other members noting hubs are only as good as the services on the hubs.</p> | |
| <p>10. CYPSP Chairs Group Business</p> | <p>Pilot of a single monitoring tool for outcomes groups commissioned services The Belfast, Western and South Eastern Outcomes Groups will complete a pilot exercise to monitor family support services commissioned through the outcomes group. Ms Mangan informed members that they will be undertaking the pilot through the use of Outcomes Star or Locus of Control.</p> <p>Mr Whittle informed members that they will use the Outcomes Star but noted it is too early to give an update at this point.</p> <p>Action: An update to be provided at the next meeting by Outcomes Group chairs</p> <p>Planning format from Outcomes Groups: <u>Action Planning</u> An update was provided from the chairs of the outcomes groups on the progress of the action planning underway in each area.</p> <p><u>Western Outcomes Group</u> Ms Casey reported on behalf of Kieran Downey – this group have completed a series of workshops to identify priorities for the next three years and a draft plan on the page was shared at the meeting. The Western Outcomes Group is hosting a series of engagement events over the months of February and March to consult on the proposed plan. Details were shared with members. Ms Casey noted that children and young people have been involved in the design of the plan.</p> | <p>OG Chairs</p> |

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| | <p><u>South Eastern Outcomes Group</u> Mr Whittle informed the group that the South Eastern Outcomes Group will hold a second action planning workshop at the end of the month to agree the priorities and actions of the outcomes group for the next three years.</p> <p><u>Belfast Outcomes Group</u> Ms Walker informed members that Belfast Outcomes Group will begin this process in the next few months. The outcomes group are considering a one year plan instead of a three year plan. Discussion during the meeting recommended that the three year plans were in line with Programme for Government, the Children’s Strategy, and Community Planning etc.</p> <p><u>Northern Outcomes Group</u> Ms Roulston informed members that Northern Outcomes Group will begin this process from March 2017.</p> <p><u>Southern Outcomes Group</u> Mr Morgan informed members that the Southern Outcomes Group will be begin action planning at a workshop in February 2017 with the intention to have an agreed completed action plan in place for April 2017 for three years.</p> <p>Feedback from Locality Planning Groups Ms Casey shared with members the Locality Planning Groups update report. The report provided members with a chance to reflect on locality developments and emerging trends.</p> <p>A discussion re membership on the Outcomes Groups in particular locality planning group representative and members requested that Mr Leeson reviewed recruitment and membership arrangements within CYPSP going forward.</p> | <p>Mr Leeson / Ms Casey</p> |
| <p>11. Standing Reports</p> | <p>Information Report Card The CYPSP information report card was presented at the meeting for reference. Ms Maxwell highlighted that the updated Northern Ireland and Outcomes Group monitoring reports are underway and will be available shortly. The reports and mapping system are in line with the new Local Government boundaries. Layers are</p> | |

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| | <p>also being built to bring together historical council boundary data and new.</p> <p>Ms Maxwell also noted that performance profiles can be downloaded from the website for each outcomes group area.</p> <p>Ms Maxwell referenced the ongoing support CYPSP has been providing to DE on the development of the Children’s Strategy indicators. If members have any queries, comments or concerns Ms Maxwell and the team will share with the Department</p> <p>Programme for Government</p> <p>Ms Clarke provided members with an overview of the Programme for Government scoping study that is underway by the CYPSP Information Team to demonstrate how the CYPSP structures are delivering against Programme for Government. Mr Clarke suggested that education should be inclusive of education in school and that those indicators referenced in Programme for Government should consider lifelong learning and young people growing with education. Ms McAndrew’s suggested a cross departmental consideration of the indicators. Mr Leeson referred to the Narrowing the Gap project group that brings together all Departments delivering on children’s issues within Programme for Government.</p> <p>Communications Report Card</p> <p>The CYPSP communications report card for October to December 2016 was presented at the workshop for reference. Ms Thompson highlighted a few positive achievements from the communications report for the October to December reporting period including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New locality planning group webpages • E-zine subscription continues to grow • Increased reference to CYPSP on social media through agencies working with children and young people • Increased interest from local papers on locality based events – reference to Toxic Childhood Conference | |
| <p>Date of next meeting:</p> | <p>24 May 9.30am-1.00pm, Mossley Mill</p> | |