

## Notes of Ards and North Down Locality Planning Group

Meeting on – 25<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 10.00am

### Venue – Ards Community Network

**Present:** Nadia Dornan (Holywood Family Centre), , Kelvin Doherty (Youth Justice Agency), Cathy Polley (Ards Community Network, Louise Little (Nth Down Community Network), Desy Clayton (Kilcooley Community Forum), David Stitt (Kilcooley Community Forum), Stuart Buchanan (YMCA Bangor), Stephanie Thompson (HSCB), Ralston Perera (SE Trust), Aveen Greenan (Early Years), Alison Blayney (Kilcooley Women's Centre), Francesca Dowler (Ards and Nth Down Borough Council), ). Kathie Corrigan (Barnardo's), Julie Bickerstaff (Barnardo's), Jim Dunbar (Education Authority), Joanne Garrett (SE Trust) and Tracey Harrison (Kilcooley Women's Centre).

**Apologies:** Linda McConnell (SE Trust), Lisa McCloy (YMCA), Sheila Bailie (Peninsula Healthy Living), Julie Kilpatrick (SE Trust), Centre), Nicola Flavelle (Women's Aid), Jacqui Adair (Surestart/Bryson), Joyce Ross (Homestart Ards), Sgt Hugo Kelly (PSNI), Frances McCormick (CDRCN), and Lisa Roulston (ANDBC).

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1. Welcome and Introductions	Cathy Polley (CP) opened the meeting and everyone in attendance introduced themselves.	
2. Apologies	Noted as above and where possible substitute members in attendance.	
3. Notes of 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2017 and matters arising	Notes agreed,	
4. New Members	Pete Wray to join the group in his capacity as chair of Kilcooley Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership.	
5. Kilcooley Action Plan update	DS and DC advised that the Neighbourhood Renewal Board for Kilcooley were meeting this afternoon, reviewing the 2016-18 action plan and scoping out work for the next two years.  DS advised that the Kilcooley action plan has	

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	<p>been taken on under the education group, which is a sub group of Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership.</p> <p>DS advised that the work of the group is going well, initiatives underway to use Adshells at Bus stops as part of way to engage parents in education, also looking to get a community engagement worker to link between community and education under NR, will be a local person.</p>	
6. Family Support Hub Update	<p>JG updated re this. Still really busy, 70% is behavioral types of work, offering groups work, one to ones on self-regulation, trying to do things with hub, on incredible years, but generally all going well. None of other hubs offer home based 12 week service. EISS has been extended till Aug 18, maybe further extension. Queens has done pilot study on this with report to be circulated, will generate business plan to meet needs. There will be a big gap when this does close, 317 referrals, from 2016 to date,</p> <p>JG advised that there are still gaps in peninsula and in Comber still, older ages go to YMCA, under 11's to Barnardo's.</p>	
7. SIF Project Update	<p>RP referred to the SIF Legacy proposal that had been submitted to DUP. This generated a great deal of debate. The general feeling from the group is that the proposal is well intentioned but should have come to this group, for agreement and onward transmission. There was also a strong feeling that the way the proposal was asked for and the lack of process involved in its submission was not right.</p> <p>There was a detailed discussion as to what we as an LPG should do as a next step. It was agreed that a letter would be drafted indicating our support for the proposal and sent to the relevant parties, but that this would set out the issues that Ards LPG had and that we were at a different place and needed individual consideration. It was</p>	Group to get together to draft response to political parties,

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	agreed that RP, CP and ST would meet to do this on behalf of the LPG.	
8. Education Group Update	<p>LL advised that the groups was progressing well, “Making a difference in Education”, was what they would be known as. It was suggested that LL would make a proper presentation in March, to give a good overview, lots of good reps including, CEA, EA, churches, parents, EA, agreed 4 priority areas, laid down some action in this. No single approach is going to be right, it will need to be a collaborative approach. Trying to keep it practical without a budget, looking to be creative. Looking to run another annual event, addressing underachievement is Nth Down.</p> <p>After some discussion, there was agreement reached that the next LPG meeting in March would focus on Education specifically, with organizations being invited to showcase the work they are involved in.</p> <p>ST mentioned holiday hunger and there was some discussion of how we could do something and a link in with the Education work..</p>	Will have Education specific event in March
9. Ongoing work	RP advised that the main areas of work for the next year would focus on, drugs and alcohol, health and wellbeing day, and education based initiatives coming out of the MADE group. CP also asked that food poverty/poverty work would also be taken forward.	
10. LPG Audit	RP advised that following our completion of this, CYPSP had altered the standards. He suggested to the group that we would re audit in 12-18 months against the revised standards and see how we do. This was agreed,.	
11. AOB	The CYPSP survey being conducted by HSCB was still live, ST/LL mentioned this, and asked all to complete who had not done	

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	<p>already.</p> <p>JG advised that the Strengthening Families programme to be delivered by ASCERT was not due to run in NDA, has been pulled, JG has set out the outline for this. This was delayed, but we have some referrals. Did not work as ASCERT did not have the links with the area and were able to make the contacts.</p> <p>CP advised that there are no longer rural programme funding within DEERA. This has implications re rural networks and rural programmes.</p> <p>KD advised regarding Community Resolution Notices, which are aimed at low level behavior, entered into agreement with PSNI, if a criminal activity, and if there are alcohol and drugs involved, YJA will get involved and work with person involved. Maybe refer them onto the FS hubs, starts on 5<sup>th</sup> Feb, regionally. Once the CRN is issued, it is done and dealt with and is on a voluntary basis, does not have criminal implications. CP asked for the referral issues, there are lists</p> <p>KD – Early Intervention Transformation Fund, come to an end in March 18, small amount available, small groups on periphery of justice system. Has to be planned and delivered by end of March, has to be pre and post DC, diversionary activities, like the stuff with Woodlands Trust? KD mentioned Pete Wray and Karen Worrall’s activities. KD advised that this is aimed at children over 12 years old, limit if £5k, only £2-3k left, but has to be done this year.</p> <p>KD – mentioned “Spanner in the Works”, going to be shown in Lyric in Feb, 14+ only. Have to be accompanied by parents and referring member of staff. If there is enough interest they may be able to do a local performance.</p> <p>PEACE IV project – SB, mentioned this, will be across the Trust area, also AB for training project for across the Borough, also genealogy and also working with Spanner in</p>	<p>JG to represent the view to PHA re that this is needed.</p>

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	<p>the Works.</p> <p>SB, ethnic minority project has Arabic speaker, if this is needed for engagement with Syrian families.</p>	
<p>14. Dates and venues for future meetings</p>	<p>21st March 2018 Ards Community Network – Education Specific</p> <p>22nd May 2018 Holywood Family Trust – Evelyn Curran</p> <p>16th Aug 2018 Ards Community Network</p> <p>17th Oct 2018 YMCA Bangor</p> <p>5th Dec 2018 Ards Community Network</p>	