

Craigavon Locality Planning Group
Brownlow Community Hub, Craigavon
27th June 2018 at 10am

Attendees	Apologies
Diane Clarke (ABC Council) – Chair Darren Curtis (CYPSP - Locality Development Officer) Kerry O'Hagan (CYPSP) Tim Strain (YJA) Deborah Millar (Homestart) Debbie Smyth (SHSCT) Maneka Tohani (NIHE) Jessica Blomkvist (Integrated Education Fund) Jill Caskey (Integrated Education Fund)	Frances Haughey (ABC Council) Carole Grattan (Care in Crisis) Fiona McDonald (Drumnamoe Nursery School) Jane McCann (EA EWO) Lisa Grant (NIACRO/Family Support Hub)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Debbie noted Edgarstown would be interested. It was suggested a Woman's Aid representative for the Locality Group. <p><u>Portadown Gets Active</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dates for this year's PGA are: 2nd - 4th July and 9th - 11th July 2018. This year 75 children are participating and breakfast and lunch will be provided. The summer scheme is aimed at primary school children and is not limited to Portadown; it is open to Banbridge, Lurgan and Craigavon. The criteria for PGA are: Entitled to free school meals, referral through Family Support Hub, referral through ASD or EWO team. 18 peer mentors are volunteering from Oasis. There is a programme of parent engagement and parents are invited in on the last day for activities. In May Oasis Peer Mentors won the Innovation Award at the ABC Council Community Awards. Saturday 18th August 2018 PGA Celebration day in People's Park. 	<p>when completed Darren to progress</p> <p>Contact Darren if interested</p>
<p>3. Speakers:</p>	<p>Jessica Blomkvist, Integrated Education Fund</p> <p>Jessica provided a presentation on Integrated Education in Northern Ireland. The presentation highlighted the www.integratemyschool.com lobbying campaign. It also highlighted the 2015 statistics of 71,000 surplus school places throughout Northern Ireland.</p> <p>Maneka Tohani, NIHE</p> <p>Maneka presented information on The Futures Project which is currently based in Belfast and has capacity to extend to the Newry area. This project is for ages 16 – 24 years and gaining an OCN Level 2, volunteer placement, lunch, transport and an assigned mentor. Maneka circulated information leaflet to members and the project is open for referrals.</p>	<p>Contact Jessica at Jessica@ief.org.uk for further information</p> <p>Contact Maneka at maneka.tohani@nihe.gov.uk for further info.</p>
<p>4. Action Planning</p>	<p>Deferred until next meeting due to low numbers.</p>	

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2018-2020		
5. Family Support Hub Update	The Hub is increasingly busy with continuation of capacity issues. The number of referrals is currently 23 this month with emotional and behavioural issues in young children one of the main issues.	
6. Southern Area Outcomes Group	The Group has been working on its Action Plan for 2017-20. The Task and Finish Groups held their first event on Thursday 17th May 2018 in Armagh at the Epicentre. It was a Disability and Inclusion workshop around sharing good practice. 70 attendees and 6 speakers were involved on the day. Attendees received a Toolkit on how to make their service more accessible and Top Tips developed by Barnardos. The intention is to replicate this event within other areas of the Southern Trust.	
7. Emerging Needs in the Craigavon area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drugs - Drug issue in Portadown among young people in the areas of Pleasure Gardens and the Meadows. The use of herbal cannabis a growing trend in the area. • Members suggested the need to have a PCSP representative on the Locality group. • Gambling – Gambling increasing in the area. Interagency group set up. Issue to be kept on the radar. • Homestart – Celebrating its 21st birthday. Now have Facebook and Twitter pages. The new promotion campaign 'Homestart T-shirt Travels' has been launched for the summer months to promote awareness. Also, planted a tree in Lurgan park to mark 21st birthday. 	Darren to ask PCSP to join Craigavon Locality Group.
8. AOB	None	
Details of Next Meeting	<p>The next meeting will be held on:</p> <p>Date: 18th September 2018 Time: 10.00am Venue: Brownlow Community Hub</p>	