

**CHILDREN'S SERVICES PLANNING
LARNE LOCALITY PARTNERSHIP**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 19th
SEPTEMBER, 2018 AT 10.30AM IN MID AND EAST ANTRIM
COUNCIL OFFICES**

PRESENT:	Selena Ramsey	<i>CYPSP</i>
	David McAllister	<i>Mid and East Antrim B. Council</i>
	Holly Fellowes	<i>NOW Group</i>
	Ruth Ozel	<i>AEL</i>
	Chris McClure	<i>Big Lottery Fund</i>
	Aideen Johnson	<i>PHA</i>
APOLOGIES:	Sandra Anderson	<i>CYPSP</i>
	Andrew Millar	<i>Connections - Start 360</i>
	Joy McNally	<i>YMCA</i>

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

David welcomed the group to the meeting. A round of introductions took place from all members present.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes were agreed as being a true and accurate recording of the previous meeting held on **Wednesday 23rd May, 2018.**

MATTERS ARISING

Youth Fair date – Selena agreed to link with the schools to confirm date.

ACTION: SELENA

NOW GROUP – HOLLY FELLOWES

Holly provided some background to the programme. She noted that there is a recognition that people are looking for skills such as money management, life skills etc. Also support available to increase job readiness.

- Pre-employment training in Larne. 6 weeks in classroom and 6 weeks in placement.
- Three settings – cafes, catering and delivery. Can work together with other organisations.
- Plan to run social groups locally.

Selena to forward information to group.

Children with Autism, dyslexic learning difficulties into employment.

Founders of the JAM card - 'just a minute'. This is for young people to show to get extra time on buses, bars, shops etc.

ACTION- Selena

SLEEP SCOTLAND SESSION

Selena shared the Sleep Scotland presentation and the group discussed the increasing problems associated with lack of sleep.

Selena provided some background to Sleep Scotland. She noted this is being led by Jayne Colville in NHSCT.

LARNE/CARRICKFERGUS HUB UPDATE

- Parenting Programmes in regards to behavioural difficulties
- Parenting Programmes in regards to family relationships and parenting whilst separated.
- Educative work/support for young people and children who are impacted by parental mental health difficulties.
- Emotional/behavioural support for primary school aged children. NEISS currently have no capacity to take referrals from the FS Hubs.

- Emotional/behavioural support for post-primary school aged children. Action for Children Choices FSS currently have no capacity to take referrals from the FS Hubs
- Group/individual support in regards to children/young people experiencing anxiety, particularly social anxiety.

UPDATES FROM MEMBERS

Employment Officer NOW Group - Holly

- 24th September 2018, 10am - pre-employment training Larne Museum. Any young people interested to contact 07901393345 or email holly.fellowes@nowgroup.org

AEL - Ruth

- Launch of new training courses including: childcare, animal care, health and safety in construction, intro to working in a beauty salon, personal success and wellbeing, customer service, horticulture and warehousing.
- Open to all disability and mental health groups or individuals 16-60.
- Looking to take training (crafts and wellbeing) out to other groups. If interested in having a training course contact Ruth 02828274992.

Big Lottery Fund - Chris McClure

No updates but would like to introduce myself, get a better understanding of young provision and issues in the area and possibly chat about our funding.

PHA - Aideen Johnson

Promote the work of Gillian McAtackney based in MEA Council, Larne - contact 0282826 2373. Smoking Cessation Specialist no. of programmes for young people eg.

- Nurseries - free staff training and support to become smoke free sites.
- Primary - 'My breath is precious' health literacy programme.
- Post Primary - free poor education training.

YMCA - Joy McNally

- 9 local people have completed OCN 2 in youth work over summer
- assessments pending
- Review of summer programme undertaken online (more responses) and we'll be analysing these
- 4 young people achieved their RLSS National Pool Lifeguarding Qualification in August after 40+ hours of pool and theory training – opens up employment possibilities
- 6 young people completed RLSS Survive & Save course over summer - focus on developing skills and knowledge to keep themselves and others safe in or near water
- 5 junior leaders spend a week at Greenhill YMCA (Newcastle) assisting staff in delivery of their summer camp programme (outdoor activities) - good experience in different setting working with different young people on an outdoor based programme
- Hoping to deliver primary schools GR twinning/tripling programme again this year, subject to funding
- Working with Carrick YMCA and Belfast Circus School on Circus Skills programme - at planning stage

MEA - David McAllister

Good Relations, Mid and East Antrim Borough Council.

- Role is to promote positive relationships between people of different religions, political opinions and racial groups.
- Annual programme of events and programmes which have a theme of children and young people.
- Update on Good Relations week 17th - 23rd September.
- Update on exploring our space - Tour of Carrickfergus Town Hall followed by lunch on Saturday 29th September 2018 at 10am. Must be registered.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting will be held on ***Wednesday 21st November at 10.30am in Mid & East Antrim Borough Council, Smiley Buildings, Victoria Road, Larne, BT40 1RU.***