

**Report from Locality Planning Groups to Southern Area Outcomes Group
Months June – August 2019**

<p>Current Issues being Discussed at LPG: Including: Gaps in services/Emerging needs</p>	<p>Armagh LPG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental health in young people: difficulties with getting to CAMHS appointments. CAPS NIACRO seeing a trend in 13 year olds feeling isolated and not effectively engaging • Exam stress, family dynamics (absent parents) • Social isolation for those with additional support needs: unable to socialise in the community • Killylea area: little to do for children/young people, running risk of anti-social behaviour • Roma Demand is by far exceeding available resources. Inter-Agency Group continues to work linking children into schools and offering wider support. An after-school project to start in Dobbin St. An organisation dedicated to the BME community would be ideal. Need for English classes. Tenants are allowing additional people to live in rented accommodation without landlords' consent. Zero-hour contracts and ID are major issues. Further awareness training suggested. <p>Banbridge LPG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trafficking: Dromore HS & Lurgan College have set up their own anti-trafficking groups in the schools. <p>Craigavon LPG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perinatal support for new mums • Pressure of school assessments – on families: Transfer test pressures • Emotional health and wellbeing: pressure being linked to parental expectations. <p>Dungannon LPG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact of welfare reform and housing • Need for support on EU Resettlement applications. <p>Newry LPG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Families worrying since May about financially surviving the summer • Work with Roma community continues to be focused on crisis management. Basic poverty an ongoing issue, some young Roma people resorting to stealing in supermarkets for food • Identifying opportunities for young people with complex needs
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shortage of Community Access workers outside of Newry – worker spread across Trust area • Young people needing additional support over the summer for Drug & alcohol misuse. <p>South Armagh LPG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roma Community: language is a major barrier and that long terms solutions are needed, as services don't currently seem to be equipped to effectively deal with demand • Family anxiety linked to Universal Credit roll-out - conflicting messages from the Benefits Office • Mental health with young people: young people not able to engage with CAMHS. <p><u>Recommendations:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Roma newcomer families: Long-term solution/plan is required, as current services networks are firefighting. Needs assessment recommended for the Trust area. 2. Support for families next year on exam stress/pressures
<p>Recent Achievements by the Locality Planning Group. How much did we do? How well did we do it? Is anyone better off? (can be included as a report card)</p>	<p><u>Portadown Gets Active Summer 2019:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 Days in July for 120 children, 40 Peer mentors. Theme was Super heroes, programme continued the mix of provision of breakfast & lunch, physical exercise and education (including Mini Medics and Workbook). • Visits by key partners on Day 2. • Family session on Day 9 providing information on family support services and gained feedback from parents. 30 attended and gave positive feedback, including responses to the following Question: <p style="text-align: center;">How does Portadown Gets Active benefit your family?</p> <p>Responses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It keeps my child(ren) occupied – 11 responses • It makes my child(ren) happy – 7 • It gives me / my family free time – 6 • It helps my child(ren) make new friends – 6 • It provides activities & healthy food for my child(ren) – 6 • It makes me happy – 3 • It helps my child(ren) to improve their English – 2 • It helps improve my child(ren)'s future prospects – 1

Summer Directory for Activities for Children with a Disability:

- 3rd year of Summer Directory, started in Armagh LPG area in 2017, included Newry LPG area in 2018, now Trust-wide.
- 31 activities advertised

Cheeky Blinders event:

- Event for young people aged 13-17 in The Epicentre, Armagh. Organised by youth steering group and supported by Youth Providers Forum, aiming to provide a youth space for young people in Armagh City Centre on weekends. 120 young people in total attended.
- Activities included live music, DJ, barrista café, fancy dress, mocktail making, photo booth and consultation from by and with young people on a youth space in the city.
- Event Planning Group each attained OCN Level 2 in Event Planning and undertook 3 week course in Barrista coffee making. 16 young people in total

Think Family Training:

- 2 Training sessions held: 24th June in Armagh, 27th June in Banbridge
- 39 participants representing 22 services/organisations
- Generally very positive feedback

ABC Community Planning Health Thematic Group

- Presentation given on 4th July at Craigavon Civic Centre the work of CYPSP and Locality Planning, sharing work on Resilience and linking in with existing themes/work actions

FYI:

- 4 x editions of information bulletin (13th June, 27th June, 25th July and 29th August). Average 26 pages per edition, 120 pieces of information in total. Distributed to 554 contacts and all C2K addresses.

****Scorecards to follow for Portadown Gets Active & Think Family training***

<p>Engagement with Children and Young People, Parents/Carers: including numbers</p>	<p>PGA: 120 children, 40 young people, 30 family members (including 20 Syrian parents) Cheeky Blinders: 120 young people</p> <p>Total engagement with 120 children, 160 young people and 30 parents</p>
<p>Meetings Held: Break down of number of meetings held: How many attended:</p>	<p>Armagh LPG – 6th June – 16 attended Dungannon LPG – 27th June – 14 attended Banbridge LPG – 25th June – 10 attended Newry LPG – 19th June – 19 attended Craigavon LPG - 4th June – 7 attended South Armagh LPG – 11th June – 12 attended</p> <p>Total 78 attended LPG meetings</p>
<p>Upcoming Events:</p>	<p>Trust-wide directory of emotional & mental health & wellbeing services available for children and young people</p> <p>Meeting with LPG Chairs to discuss a Trust-wide initiative for school uniform fairs</p> <p>Resilience training day on 3rd October with SHSCT Community Paediatrics and CAMHS</p> <p>Resilience screening with Arke Sure Start Armagh (25th September) and Mid Ulster Community Planning (TBC)</p> <p>Presentation to Banbridge Ani Poverty Forum to highlight Portadown Gets Active and School Uniform Fairs</p>
<p>Additional Information:</p>	

****LPG Planner can include photos from events, report cards, press releases etc. with captions on an additional page/s****