

# Minutes of the Renew and Refresh Strabane Locality Planning Group Held on Thursday 24 June 2021 at 10am on Zoom

#### **Present:**

Rioghnach Murphy - Barnardo's (LPG Chair)
Una Casey - CYPSP
Shauna Spence - Action for Children EISS
Sharon Callaghan - Strabane Sure Start
Claire Lynch - DCSDC
Adrian Loughrey - Koram Centre
Rose O'Brien - EA
Natasha Burke - Action for Children EISS
Paula Kee - Administration (minute taker)

#### In attendance:

Sarah Gillen - GamCare

## **Apologies:**

Alana Willis – CCMS Roisin Hamill - Women's Aid Shauna Devine – Strabane FSH/Strabane Family Centre

#### **Welcome and Introductions**

Rioghnach welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised that there would be no meeting in July or August due to Summer Leave. Next meeting will take place on Thursday 30 September 2021.

# **Apologies**

As listed above

# **UNICEF Child Friendly Council**

Claire Lynch gave a presentation on UNICEF Child Friendly City (Council Area). Rioghnach thanked Claire for her comprehensive presentation and queried if anyone had any questions.

Adrian queried if VOYPIC had been included in any of the consultations and what they would get out of being a Child Friendly City.

Claire advised that she has been working closely with Donna O'Kane and noted that Donna had a group of six young people join the Youth Advisory Panel and were also involved in the Discovery Day.

Claire explained that it was about the benefit and support of going through the process of embedding a child based approach to improve services which will improve the lives of children and young people and they would be able to access the people they need to be able to support children/young people in a child friendly way.

Action: Una to forward presentation to all members.

#### GamCare

Sarah Gillen gave a presentation on GamCare. Rioghnach thanked Sarah for her informative and interesting presentation and queried if anyone had any questions.

Discussion ensued around awareness and Una advised that there were two training sessions in June and the feedback received was positive. There are two further training sessions in September and information is available in FYI.

Action: Sarah to forward presentation to Una

# **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Rioghnach advised that she has read through the minutes from the last meeting and was happy to approve. Sharon Callaghan proposed and Adrian Loughrey seconded. Una provided update from actions.

# **Matters Arising**

# **Family Support Hub Updates**

# Strabane FSH / Strabane Family Centre

Rioghnach advised that unfortunately Shauna was unable to join meeting so update would be carried forward to September. Rioghnach advised that she would hope in the future to have meetings in person and would review this again in September around Government Guidelines.

### **Members Update**

Una advised that Bronagh Donnelly, North Western Locality Planning Coordinator for has secured a permanent post with PHA. Her post is currently with HR for permanent recruitment.

Una advised that in the later part of the year the group should start looking at drawing up an action plan for Strabane and having a work shop for this.

### **Any Other Business**

There was no other business.

## E-zine articles, FYIs

Una reminded members that if they have anything to share in the FYI to send it through

#### **Future Meetings**

All meetings will be held at 10am on: Thursday 26 August CANCELLED Thursday 30 September Thursday 28 October