Armagh LPG
Minutes of Meeting - Thursday 15th September 2022 at 10am
Via Zoom Video Conference Call

Attendees		Apologies
Darren Curtis (CYPSP - Acting Chair) Joanne Patterson (CYPSP - Minutes) Norah Hughes (Find Help NI - Speaker) Ann-Marie Baxter (Barnardo's / FSH) Glenda McMullen (Armagh Food Bank) Gillian McKeown (Barnardo's DCYPPP) Bernie Diver (The Prince's Trust) Catherine McCormack (SHSCT)	Amanda Burns (Clanrye Group) Teresa Miles (BCM) Eleanor McKenna (PIPS) Edel Ferson (ABC Council) Mia Murray (ArKe Sure Start) Laura Conlon (Clanrye Group) Michelle West (CiNI / PP Service)	Michael McKenna (Youth Action NI) Charles King (SHSCT) - Has left post Kathryn Leyburn (Barnardo's) Caroline Williamson (Barnardo's) Bernadette Lally (SHSCT/MACE) Nicole Dynes (Clanrye Group) - On maternity leave Teresa Stewart (Don't Box Me In)

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action - By Whom
Welcome, Apols., Previous Mins. 26/5	Darren welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies noted, per above. Previous Minutes agreed.	JP to upload Minutes to CYPSP website
Speaker: Norah Hughes, Find Help NI	Norah presented a live demo of Find Help NI - A website set up by a group of counsellors, bringing together a directory of support services, useful self-care advice, practical tips, etc., with the aim of bettering mental health and wellbeing support for everyone living in Northern Ireland. Norah is working on updating info. for the SHSCT area. Visit the directory HERE. Register your organisation to be included HERE. Several members highly recommended the directory as a useful signposting tool. Ann-Marie suggested libraries & schools as places to actively promote the directory.	Norah to forward all questions & feedback on to their developers
FSH Update	Ann-Marie (**Barnardo's NI/FSH**): FSH remains very busy, with 36 referrals in July, primarily from schools and allied health professionals. Increased referrals expected to continue. No new major trends but envisaging requests for financial help in the future.	

Discussion on Unmet & Emerging Needs	Members are invited to share any unmet and/or emerging needs in the Armagh area either during respective LPG meetings or via e-mail to localityplanning@ci-ni.org.uk - Darren will then escalate these up to the Southern Area Outcomes Group. Needs raised during meeting, as follows: • The FSH is missing the Barnardo's Play Therapy Service and other talking therapies for adolescents - Therapeutic Play is really needed in the area (Mia & Ann-Marie) • Have noticed a new trend RE: single dads needing help with food parcels whilst children are staying with them. (Glenda) • Would like to be able to reach out to more schools in the area to raise awareness of their voucher scheme. (Glenda) / Schools have been starting to signpost to services, such as the food bank, more recently, via social media, etc. (Teresa) • Stigma still remains RE: accessing services such as food banks. (Amanda) • Are seeing rising anxiety levels, like they've never seen before, in the parents of their recent pre pre-school year intake, as well as the children. (Mia)	DC to organise a meeting with AMB & PMcG
Action Plan 2021-24	It was agreed to defer Action Plan discussions until the next meeting - Members are to come prepared to make decisions on specific actions/focuses/activities for 2023.	DC to organise working group meeting
Member Agency Updates	**Bounceback Event** recently took place in Armagh - Some organisations weren't aware of the event and others didn't find out about the event until last-minute. Members who attended shared the names of community groups who were there. Eleanor (**PIPS Hope & Support**): Contact Eleanor HERE if your organisation/groups with whom you work require / would like Mental Health Training. PIPS are keen to bring more of their courses (e.g. Resilience, Suicide Prevention, CBT) to the Armagh area.	JP to circulate all links after meeting. Relevant flyers to be included in next 'FYI'

Member Agency Updates	Catherine (**SHSCT**): Recently come into post in the PWB Team, covering Armagh & Dungannon. Attending today to get a better idea of local groups and activities. Glenda (**Armagh Food Bank**): Very busy summer. People from all walks of life coming through to the service. Thanks to CYPSP for sharing their Pre-Loved School Uniform Pop-Up - 604 families received help over the summer, which is a huge uptake. Michelle (**CiNI**): The Parental Participation Service aims to get more parents involved in the activities of the CYPSP - E-mail the PP Team HERE for further info. Currently finalising their flyers for Parent Champions and Passionate Parents. Bernie (**The Prince's Trust**): Lost internet connection during the meeting, but sent attachments via e-mail for Tesco Retail programme (Placements available in Tesco stores in Banbridge Extra, Banbridge Castlewellan Road, Lurgan, Craigavon, Portadown, Newcastle and Newry); their Development Awards (For young people aged 16-30 going into education, training or employment); and their upcoming Sep. & Oct. Schedule. Amanda & Laura (**Clanrye Group**): 31st May networking event was very successful, with 12 organisations in attendance. Hoping to hold another networking event, in collaboration with West Armagh Consortium, in the near future. Working event taking place with AWARE NI late September. Laura is covering Nicole's maternity leave and is the Social Prescriber for the West Armagh Consortium and so can feed back to the LPG from there.	
AOB	A **Poverty & Family Support Task Group** has been set up through the CYPSP SOG - Darren sits on the same and will feed back and engage with members as is relevant. **Cost of Living crisis:** the CYPSP is aiming to map any initiatives, services or activities that help address this issue in order to create a **Guide to Locality Planning Based Resources and Practical Support for Families and Children** - E-mail Una Casey from CYPSP HERE to request a copy of the template for completion.	JP to circulate various CYPSP links & reports to members

AOB	**Mid Ulster School Uniform Recycling Toolkit**, produced by members of the Dungannon & Mid Ulster LPGs and recently released HERE - Roll-out of a trust-wide version pending. CYPSP **Migrant Minority Ethnic Families Access to Services Assessment** now available to download HERE. Click HERE to visit the **'Ukraine Advice'** section on the **CYPSP Translation Hub**. New **'Training'** section on the **CYPSP Youth Wellness Web** available HERE. All members are invited to a **National Energy Action NI Info. Session** on Energy Efficiency taking place on Wednesday 28th September at 12.30pm, via Zoom. Training event for those working with the **Romani Community** being run by Armagh City High School on Monday 26th September 2022. Recently released **Parentline NI Podcasts**: How do we build resilience in ourselves and our children? (With Ed Sipler) & Anxiety Based School Avoidance with Strive NI Click HERE to complete the recently circulated **LPG Members Survey**. Next issue of **'FYI' Newsletter** going out next Thursday - Submissions by Tuesday PM.	
Next Meeting	Thursday 10th November 2022 at 10am (Venue TBC in due course). 2023 LPG meeting dates to be confirmed at next meeting. If any member is able to host any face-to-face meetings next year, please get in touch with DC/JP. Amanda & Mia put forward their premises as potential venues for the future. Many thanks for your participation!	DC/JP to further discuss with Amanda & Mia