

Northern Area Outcomes Group Meeting held on 21st November 2023 at 3pm via Ms teams

Name	Organisation	Present/Apology
Statutory Sector		
Maura Dargan	HSCT (Chair)	Present
Sharon Crawford	HSCT (Disability)	Present
Oisin Martin	HSCT (Hub Lead)	present
Claire Crowe	HSCT (Public Health Nursing)	Present
Hugh Nelson	HSCT (Planning & Modernisation)	Apology
Frances Donnelly	Education Authority	
VACANT	NI Housing Executive	
Nicola McCall	(MEA) Community Planning/Council	present
Ronan McKenna	(A&N) Community Planning/Council	
Connor Cunning	(CCG) Community Planning/Council	Present
Elizabeth Beattie	(CCG) Community Planning/Council	Apology
Celena O'Neill	(MU) Community Planning/Council	Apology
Michelle Adams	PSNI	
Bryan Leonard	Public Health Agency	Apology
Kate McDermott	Health and Wellbeing Manager	present
Grainne Keane	Youth Justice Agency	apology
Jenny Adair	Childcare Partnership	present
Deirdre Hasson	Education Authority	present
Michelle Gibb	CRUN	
Voluntary Sector		
Louise Kearney	Action for Children	Present
Pamela Kirk	Barnardo's	Present
Muriel Bailey	Parenting NI	Present
Kelly Maxwell	Autism NI	Apology
Community Sector		
Zoe-Kernohan-Neeley	Early Year Organisation	present
Karen Graham	Carrickfergus YMCA	present
Rosemary Hamilton	BYTES	
BME Sector		
VACANT		
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Locality Planning Group Chairs		
Mervyn Rea	Antrim LPG	
Gerry McVeigh	Ballymena LPG	present
Roy Beggs	Carrickfergus LPG	
David McAllister	Larne LPG	
Ursula Marshall	Magherafelt & Cookstown LPG	present
	Causeway LPG out	
	Newtownabbey LPG out	
Locality Planners		
Represented by Kate McDermott		Present
In Attendance		

Maxine Gibson	CYPSP (Professional Advisor)	Apology
Valerie Maxwell	CYPSP (Information Manager)	Present
Bronwyn Campbell	CYPSP (Regional Family Support Hub Co-Ordinator)	Present
Dolreann Doherty	?? TBC	Present
Sarah Johnston	Carrick YMCA (presentation)	
Julie Scobie	Minute Taker	Present

Welcome and apologies noted

Presentation – Sarah Johnston, Carrick YMCA Get active project. Comprehensive overview provided.

3 year big lottery funded had supported the establishment and development of this project tailored to meet the needs in the Carrick area in partnership with CINI, OASIS, Dry Arch, PYC. Project is targeted at Families/ Children and Young people and to date have support 99 families, (149) children/young people, of which 129 live in disadvantaged areas, subject to high level paramilitary influence, with 1 or more children in these families on the Spectrum, have a diagnosis of ADHD and /or developmental delay. The project will increase an awareness of the importance and impact healthy food has on physical and mental health development, and will provide the young people with the skills to prepare healthy meals. It will also increase awareness of the stigma associated with food poverty and will empower and facilitate young people to raise the issue of food poverty to policy influencers and will develop young role models to share the learning and expertise gained from the project. The importance of physical activity in line with healthy food choices has seen the establishment of sport activities, ie football, basketball and running clubs, all heavily reliant on volunteers. Cookery classes, first aid training for young leaders, debt advice and support to parents, parents fitness class, CP training, food hygiene training and family activities also available. Health hub young engagement service for 11/25 year olds has received referrals from YJA, EA, CAMHS and have a number of young care experience young people on board. Advocacy group made up of young people have contributed to the regional advocacy work and continue to meet monthly. Through this work, the project has improved the physical and mental health and wellbeing of the young people involved. 100% of parents reported improvements in their children's health and wellbeing, also increased confidence and skills. The project has successfully delivered 62 weekly food parcels to those low income families up to the end of last year, however due to increase in the cost of living this year has only be able to provide 50 weekly food parcels to these families.

It was agreed that this is a helpful way to connect with partner organisation around work ongoing with in the Northern Locality. Presentation for January 2024 meeting re EHWP Framework – Gerard O'Hanlon, SPPG, and Valerie has linked with Gerard who is happy to attend. Teresa McShane, SSPG to also attend to provide overview re EHWP CAMHS teams in schools project. Members to consider any further areas

of work that could be shared with partner organisations and link with Valerie Maxwell/Julie Scobie re slot on future agenda.

ACTION: Members to consider areas of work to be shared with partner organisations and confirm with V Maxwell and /or J Scobie

Notes from previous meeting – agreed as an accurate reflection of the meeting

CYPSP

Overview of pause /reset workshop and follow up discussion from a regional perspective provided by Valerie Maxwell. Information was shared regarding key piece of work which impacted the partnership's work and time was spend considering the future of the partnership and partners wish to work together moving forward, challenges, suggested actions to improve CYPSP from top down. A number of key areas were identified across the four themes of: Collective Leadership; Accountability; Equity and Partnership; and Outcomes and Impact. Together these provide a summary of the developing vision for the future of CYPSP. This is not final and will require further iteration and engagement. (See attached paper) Gerry McVeigh LPG chair provided his thoughts around the workshop, felt it was a good opportunity to reflect and consider potential blockages/challenges and from a LPG perspective it would be important that people move forward with a shared goal

Next Steps, a short term working group to be established to look at challenges and barriers, to focus on solutions and recommendations to develop the future of vision identified. To be chaired by Maurice Leeson with membership from 4 statutory and 4 CVS partners. Louise Kearney AFC to highlight invite with Lorna Ballard for consideration.

Task and Finish Groups

Following Pause and refresh CYPSP workshop, felt that now is the opportune time to review the membership and reassess/revamp the areas of work identified by the Task and finish groups, to ascertain if any further work needs completed. Valerie Maxwell to progress work over the next few weeks in advance of the next planning period and will feed into regional work. Valerie to link in with V/C sector in an effort to build relationships and encourage `buy in ` around the work bring progressed by the Task and Finish groups

- 1. CWD task and finish group** – fluctuating membership, lack of support from V/C sector continues to be a significant frustration. Sharon noted that there had been a further meeting of the group and some traction around identified work, Valerie has linked with Sharon Crawford and will provide ongoing support, keen to get parents voice into the mix and tie work around behaviour toolkit to the your journey resource. To also consider joint piece of work across all OGs in conjunction with Youth groups

2. **Poverty T&F group** – work completed, however may be further work that could be developed Valerie to review to ascertain if any additional mileage.
3. **EHWB T&F group** – work paused, awaiting detail specific to the NOG locality re MH prevalence study. Valerie to pick up with Paul Millar.
4. **School Disruption**– Valerie to review work identified and completed to ascertain if any further mileage for this group.

ACTIONS: V Maxwell to provide support to T& F groups and review membership and refresh/revamp areas of work identified.

Action planning

New 3 year plan in place from April 2024 to 2027. All Outcome groups continue to identify the same issues/ key areas through LPGs/FSH, i.e. EHWB, poverty, Children with Disability, School Avoidance (linked to impact of COVID, young people comfortable at home, need to develop plan in conjunction with young people to support return to educational setting). Aidan Dawson keen to link with Peter Toogood around accountability framework as to where CYPSP sits in relation to the Children and Young people`s strategy.

LPG

Report shared, common themes, gaps in services/emerging needs remain as previous, i.e. financial, emotional and family support and waiting lists for CAMHS and Autism services.

CSR update

Consultation process closes on the 1st December, within Trust working on high level organisational response, robust with input from service areas cover in the consultation. A number of online engagement sessions held, well attended (250 Staff) with good representation across the Trust. Maura encouraged members to take forward within their partner organisations and welcomed the Voluntary/Community sector combined messaging previously issued around Prof Jones high level messaging coming out of the review. Next steps - DOH will take time to work through responses and the hope is once an Executive is in place a package of evidence will be available for the Minister i.e. options appraisal, Public Consultation response, Prof Jones report, to assist him/her to make the right decision for CYP /Families in NI.

FSH

Report not available, awaiting outstanding update from another Trust, should be available in advance of next meeting, however if not Bronwyn will provide a small `by area` report. With respect to NHSCT area, main referral reasons remain Emotional/behaviour difficulties re primary school children followed by counselling for children

and young people, both areas of unmet need with demand outstripping capacity. Of those CYP referred in Q1 20% and Q2 25% are Children with Disability and in Q1 7% and Q2 10% of CYP referred are on a waiting list for assessment /diagnosis, which is reflective of the Ithrive/EHWB findings shared at recent workshops. Bronwyn to shared link for remaining two workshops in December (in Dungannon and Belfast). This Ithrive model will have a significant impact on family support, focusing on very early intervention, offer of early help, Bronwyn continues to link with Paul Millar/Gerard O'Hanlon, SSPG, given the need for additional resource to absorb additional work flow. Highlighted the marked increase in Arab speaking presentation requesting interpreter services, linked to dispersal of refugee families, to be kept under review. Work remains ongoing re development of regional referral form and guidance. Some difficulty in the development of regional form, given the lack of consistency in processes across Trusts. Once agreed final regional guidance and referral form will be circulated.

ACTION: Regional guidance and referral form to be circulated once available – B Campbell

Maura reflected on the reference to Surestart in Prof Jones CSR report and the questions posed in the Public Consultation, useful for partner organisations to review and respond, i.e. expanded the service so that children (age 0-3) and families outside current Sure Start catchment areas can avail of Sure Start services. Whilst supportive of the rationale around this and the further development of SureStart services for 4-10 year olds, concerned that any expansion may overwhelm the service and may dilute the current provision of services. Bronwyn reflected that the focus should be more around the resource currently available through the hub and expanding this and developing in areas where SureStart isn't. Jenny Adair agreed that it would be essential to consolidate the current SureStart service for 4/11 year olds, given the financial uncertainty moving forward.

AOB

Valerie highlighted the Cost of living resource paper, which has been refreshed and relaunched, has already been shared with group, to be shared with staff and family. As live document any further relevant information can be captured and added. Ability to print by locality has been added.

Date of Next Meeting 22nd January @ 2.30pm via Ms teams

Maura Dargan

Director CYP Division