

Dungannon LPG
Minutes of Meeting - Thursday 26th September 2024 at 10am
Via Zoom Video Conference Call

Attendees		Apologies
Loraine Griffin (SHSCT) - Chair	Blanaid Bruce (Radius Housing)	Philip Batt (PAPYRUS)
Darren Curtis (CYPSP)	Cara Ramsey (Barnardo's NI)	Cillian O'Hagan (Start 360)
Joanne Patterson (CYPSP) - Minutes	Donna Gibney (SHSCT)	Alison Daly & Agnieszka Judkiewicz (SHSCT)
Ellen Young (BCM)	Mark Doran (MUDC)	Anne Richardson (DfE Careers Service)
Ann-Marie Baxter (Barnardo's NI / FSH)	Sinead McKinley (STEP NI)	Annette McGahan (MUDC PCSP)
Catherine McCormack (SHSCT)	Margaret Guy (SHSCT)	Caroline Williamson (Barnardo's NI)
Francis Magureyi (STEP NI)	Niamh Quinn (Advocacy VSV)	Dan Greenaway (Cedar Foundation)
Lucinda McGinnis (Start 360)	Sara McClure (Early Years Toybox)	Emma Devlin (EA Youth Service)
Raquel Rodrigues Keenan (Volunteer Now)		Joanne Fitzgerald (DfE Careers Service)
		Teresa Miles (BCM)
		Valerie Morrison (Apex Housing)

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action - By Whom
Welcome, Apols., Prev. Mins. (21/05)	Loraine welcomed all to the meeting. Brief introductions given and apologies noted. Previous Minutes agreed.	JP to upload Minutes to CYPSP website
Action Planning 2024-27	Darren presented the Southern Area Outcomes Group Plan 2024-27 . To be finalised by SAOG. Pooling resources & working in collaboration will be key to outcomes being achieved and availability of funding will have an impact also. Application to Clear Funding was successful for self-care workshops/activities for LPGs. Darren to provide further update at next meeting.	DC to forward draft Plan on a Page via e-mail

Feedback on Action Plan 2021-24	<p>Download the Final Report of the Southern Area LPGs 2021-24 Action Plan HERE.</p> <p>Darren ran through the 2023 Southern Area LPGs Standards Report, which will be available to view on the CYPSP website in due course.</p> <p>YGAM Gaming & Gambling Awareness Workshops will be running in November (1 in-person and 1 online).</p>	<p>JP to forward report post-meeting</p> <p>DC to send flyer</p>
Update from Family Support Hub	<p>Ann-Marie (Barnardo's NI / FSH): Referrals slowed down during the summer months as is usually the case with schools closed. ADIS (Autism Diagnosis Intervention Service) now sit on FSH. Continuing to receive referrals above early intervention. REACT are the only local service available for young people, but they provide mentoring, not counselling. BCM, EISS & STEP NI continue to provide much-needed family support locally.</p>	<p>Annual FSH Report Cards: HERE (NI-Wide) & HERE (Southern Area)</p>
Member Agency Updates	<p>Margaret (SHSCT): Specialist youth advice service available for 16-25 year olds to access across various locations in the SHSCT Area (e.g. various SRCs). More information HERE. The Health Hub offers: STI testing, contraceptive pill, free condoms (through C-Card scheme), emergency contraception, drugs & alcohol info. and smoking cessation help. College students & young people in the community can drop in, phone, WhatsApp, e-mail or fill in an online form. Flyer with list of drop-in venues in next 'FYI'.</p> <p>Lucinda (Start 360): Networking Event in The Junction, Dungannon, on Tuesday 5th November, 10.30am - 1pm. Contact Lucinda to if you wish to have an Info. Stand.</p> <p>Raquel (Volunteer Now): Volunteering & volunteer management advice/guidance available to organisations operating in the Dungannon Area. See flyer in 'FYI'. Upcoming Safeguarding Training Programme Schedule is now available to view HERE.</p> <p>Ann-Marie (Barnardo's NI): Barnardo's no longer provides counselling in schools, which leaves a gap in support for primary school aged children. Therapeutic Play provision for primary school aged children is still not available either.</p> <p>Sinead (STEP NI): The move to Universal Credit is still ongoing for a lot of families and their advice is to get families in for support as early as is possible, as the process is</p>	<p>JP to circulate all links from members after meeting</p> <p>Relevant flyers to be included in next issue of 'FYI'</p>

Member Agency Updates	<p>complex. Parents seem to be struggling to get back into work, despite the Jobs & Benefits Centres encouraging those, particularly with primary school aged children, to get into employment. Childcare is a major issue. Fuel poverty is likely to increase again soon, given the change in weather. STEP would encourage families to seek advice on what benefits they are entitled to and to be sure to claim all benefits accordingly.</p> <p>Lorraine (COSTA): Rural Micro Capital Grants have recently gone out across the region and they're hoping that the scheme will re-open again for rural community groups.</p>	
AOB	<p>A new Dept of Education initiative has been launched aiming to raise achievement to reduce educational disadvantage. Find out more about the RAISE Programme HERE.</p> <p>Visit the Family Support NI website HERE, for details on local services supporting children, young people & families across NI.</p> <p>Download the 'FYI' Newsletter Feedback Survey 2024 Scorecard HERE.</p> <p>Click HERE to confirm your membership of the Dungannon LPG.</p>	<p>DC to invite Peter Nixon (RAISE) to next meeting</p> <p>JP to circulate links & reports to members</p>
Date of Next Meeting	<p>Tuesday 19th November 2024, 10am, Dungannon Youth Resource Centre.</p> <p>2025 LPG meeting dates & formats will be proposed/discussed at next meeting.</p> <p>Many thanks for your participation!</p>	<p>Please accept Outlook Invite</p>