

South Armagh LPG
Minutes of Meeting - Tuesday 17th September 2024 at 10am
Via Zoom Video Conference Call

| Attendees | | Apologies |
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| Annie Clarke (SHSCT) - Chair | Maria Hamill (N&M ALC) | Allison Slater (Bolster Community / FSH) |
| Darren Curtis (CYPSP) | Lizzy Smith (SOPYC) | Caroline Potter (Bolster / FSH) |
| Joanne Patterson (CYPSP) - Minutes | Mairead Hearty (WAAD) | Philip Batt (PAPYRUS) |
| Raquel Rodrigues Keenan (Volunteer Now) | Lisa Daly (PIPS H&S) | Shannon Creaney (PCSP, NManDDC) |
| Dorethy Davidson (SHSCT, MDT) | Maria Keenan (Clanrye Group) | Cillian O'Hagan (Start 360) |
| Aoife Doyle (SHSCT / EWTS) | Ruth Neary (EA Youth Service) | Ita Gibney (N/Hamilton Comm. Centre) |
| Dan Greenaway (Cedar Foundation) | Siobhan Brennan (PIPS H&S) | Niall Murray (N/Hamilton Comm. Centre) |
| Arlene Morgan-Carroll (Sure Start S.A.) | Stephanie Kernan (Dunlewey) | Caroline Wilson (Sure Start South Armagh) |

| Agenda Item | Discussion | Action - By Whom |
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| Welcome, Apols., Prev. Mins. (14/05) | Annie welcomed all to the meeting. Brief introductions given and apologies noted. Previous Minutes agreed. No further info. available on CAWT EASY Project. | JP to upload Minutes to CYPSP website |
| Action Planning 2024-27 | Darren briefly presented the Southern Area Outcomes Group Plan 2024-27 . Final version to follow once signed off. Pooling resources & working in collaboration will be key to outcomes being achieved and availability of funding will have an impact also. Application made to Clear Funding for self-care workshops/activities for LPGs: Darren will update when decision is made and communicated. Discussion on the potential amalgamation of the Newry & Mourne and South Armagh LPGs, but consensus that there are localised issues/needs specific to rural areas. AC suggested joint working based on themes which may relate to both LPG areas. | DC to forward draft Plan on a Page via e-mail |
| Feedback on Action Plan 2021-24 | Download the Final Report of the Southern Area LPGs 2021-24 Action Plan HERE . | JP forward post-meeting |

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| | Darren presented the 2023 Southern Area LPGs Standards Report , which will be available to view on the CYPSP website in due course. | |
| Update from Family Support Hub <i>*Update via e-mail</i> | Caroline (Bolster Community): Busy summer for FSH: 31 referrals in June, 23 in July and 29 in August. ASD/ADHD - high demand for summer schemes for all ages, families seeking support, increase in families with multiple children awaiting/with a diagnosis. Struggling with lack of services/support. Housing an ongoing issue - landlords selling and families unable to find/afford new homes. Teenagers & children returning to school are emerging referral themes. High anxiety levels, communication & challenging behaviour. | |
| Member Agency Updates | <p>Dan (Cedar Foundation): Accepting self-referrals. Work with young people up to 18 yrs, providing various regular social activities, drop-ins & personal development programmes across Newry, Armagh, and Craigavon. JP to send referral form post meeting.</p> <p>Raquel (Volunteer Now): Link, Lunch & Learn VOLT Session, Ballybot House next week. Youth Impact Awards opportunity for ages 10/11 - 25 to be recognised for voluntary work during the year. Keeping Children Safe Designated Officer Training 1st Oct B'bot House.</p> <p>Mairead (Women's Aid Armaghdown): Attended Launch of NI's first Ending Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy: members encouraged to support. Launch of new 3-year Wellbeing project under People and Communities Fund, 10.30am Wed 2nd Oct. Thriving Together VCSE Sector Lunch and Learn Workshop, hosted by NMEA in Centred Soul, Newry, Friday 4th Oct (see e-mail invite). Organising a Women's Wellbeing & Connections Event in the South Armagh Area, working alongside the Rural Health Partnership & Claire Loughran, DEA Coordinator - Further details to follow.</p> <p>Ruth (EA Youth Service): Area Youth Worker. Continuing work with young men in Crossmaglen HS following a fatal road accident last year. Champions League Young Men's (14-18 years) programme open for registrations. Go Lead leadership programme, for 14+ in South Armagh meets weekly. Young Men's Conference planned for Newry for International Men's Day on 19th Nov: aimed at ages 11-13 and 14-17.</p> | <p>JP to circulate all links after meeting</p> <p>Register HERE.</p> <p>Relevant flyers to be included in next issue of 'FYI'</p> <p>Invite to follow</p> <p>Contact RN directly if you have potential participants</p> |

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| Member Agency Updates <i>*Update received via e-mail</i> | <p>Maria (Clanrye Group): Essential Skills Maths Programme in Drumalane Mill Office in Newry, starts next Thursday: flyer in 'FYI'.</p> <p>Aoife (SHSCT / EWTS): Commenced post in CAMHS Emotional Health and Wellbeing Team for Schools, delivering workshops to young people in post primary schools and training to teachers. Working with St. Paul's, Newry High & St. Mary's in the local area.</p> <p>Siobhan (PIPS Hope & Support): Lisa Daly is new to team. Community Open Day in Mill Street, Fri 27th Sept 10am - 2pm. All welcome, info. stand opportunity is available</p> <p>Annie (SHSCT): Taking referrals for vaping through Smoking Cessation. Eileen McGivern is PWB Team Support Worker, can discuss training opportunities. Verve Network Health Trainers available for 1-1 support for healthier lifestyle changes. AC requested that loneliness be included as a standing Agenda item, going forward, so that any points raised/discussed can be fed through to the local Loneliness Network group.</p> <p>Caroline (Bolster Community)*: Communicating with your Teen programme started last week, running for 3 consecutive Thursdays in Marcus St office. Parents Plus ADHD programme in Ballybot House starts on 25th Sept (10am-12am for 8 weeks). Parents Plus ADHD Programme, in Armagh Business Centre (10.30am-12.30pm, starts 8th Oct for 8 weeks). Date for the Fun Friends programme, starting on 2nd Oct - Flyer to follow.</p> | <p>Contact SB to confirm interest</p> <p>Contact EMcG HERE</p> |
| AOB | <p>Trauma In The Community National Conference in Carrickdale Hotel, 19th - 20th Sept</p> <p>SBNi Trauma Informed Organisational Toolkit Online Information Sessions</p> <p>Next edition of 'FYI' going out this Thursday - Send flyers, for inclusion, by 4pm today. Download the 'FYI' Newsletter Feedback Survey 2024 Scorecard HERE.</p> <p>Click HERE to confirm your membership of the South Armagh LPG.</p> | <p>Register HERE</p> <p>Register HERE</p> |
| Date of Next Meeting | <p>Tuesday 12th November 2024, 10am, Sure Start Camlough.</p> <p>Many thanks for your participation!</p> | <p>Please accept Outlook Invite</p> |