

Banbridge LPG
Minutes of Meeting - Wednesday 27th November 2024 at 10am
Banbridge Youth Resource Centre, Banbridge

Attendees	Apologies
Lucinda Love-Teggarty (Futureproof) - Chair Darren Curtis (CYPSP) Joanne Patterson (CYPSP) - Minutes Chris Clague (New-Bridge Integrated College) Dan Greenaway (Cedar Foundation) Naj Basketfield (PIPS Hope & Support) Niamh McCaughley (Barnardo's NOVA) Gina Cochrane (EA Youth Service) Mark Coiley (Action For Children) Lisa Grant (NIACRO / FSH)	David Alderdice (SHSCT) Sarah Aiken (ABC Council) Glen Dickson (ABC Council) Adrian Hutchinson & Eimear Le Blevec (EA) Clare McCullough (St. Patrick's College) Eleanor Ellerslie (Cruse Bereavement) Frances Haughey (ABC Council) Gwen Bartley (ABC PCSP) Karen Conn (Barnardo's NOVA) Lisa Daly & Siobhan Brennan (PIPS H&S) Nathaniel Mack (The King's Trust) Veronica Kerr (SHSCT, MDT) Vicki Ewart (The Family Fund)

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action - By Whom
Welcome, Apols., Mins. 02/10/24	Lucinda welcomed all to the meeting. Round of introductions made, as new members present. Apologies noted, per above. Previous Minutes agreed.	JP to upload Minutes to CYPSP website
Self-Care Session	<i>Supported by the PHA through the Clear Project:</i> Small group conversations on the 'Keep Learning' element of Take 5. Pre- & Post- Session Evaluations completed. 2 free workshops to be offered to LPG members in Jan. '25: (i) Introduction to Self-Care and (ii) Introduction to Compassion/Empathy Fatigue. Flyer to be circulated. Members agreed that a compassion fatigue session post-Christmas would be very timely and welcomed.	Inspire Take 5 'Keep Learning' Worksheets to be circulated to members by JP
Action Planning 2024-27	Ygam Gaming & Gambling Awareness Workshops recently took place. Ygam are available to deliver awareness raising sessions to practitioners/organisations, young people and parents/carers in the SHSCT Area upon request. Meetings recently across ABC Area discussing the possibility of setting up a Rural Network.	E-mail Ygam HERE DC to update

FSH Update	<p>Lisa (NIACRO / FSH): Usual referral rates have returned after a very quiet summer. Ongoing needs: school avoidance, anxiety and ASD & ADHD Assessment Waiting Lists. Emerging Need: Unexpected separation of families. Supporting local families through SVP vouchers and toy appeals. Families continue present with higher level of need and more complex. Recently met with Laura Wheatley (Action Mental Health) and carrying out a scoping exercise for 9-25 year old age group. Issues raised include online safety, eating disorders, high parental expectations, parental capacity around addictions, so young people acting as carers. Attended the recent Ygam Training and found it useful.</p>	
Member Agency Updates	<p>Glen (ABC Council): A range of free Community Training is currently available across the borough through the ABC Council. Finished running Capital Grants Training and plan to repeat this in February. Funders Fair planned for Late January - further details to follow. Aiming to link in better with any anti-poverty supports or networks based in the ABC Council. Contact Glen with any info.</p> <p>Lucinda (Futureproof): Rory Sloan delivered a journey through addiction mental health workshop with positive engagement with young people. 10-Week Young Women's Programme starting on 2nd Dec delivered by Wee Yarn Productions focusing on creative writing, art and drama. If members know of any 16+ who would benefit from participation, contact Lucinda. Emerging Need: Gambling & general heightened competitiveness.</p>	JP to circulate all links after meeting + Relevant flyers to be included in next 'FYI'
Member Agency Updates	<p>Gina (EA Youth Service): Young people now seeking low level support so the centre acts as a safe space for related conversations. Eimear is taking a career break for two years - Members wished her all the best. Gina is now the Centre-Based Youth Worker for the Banbridge Area. Youth Club runs Monday to Thursday for various 7-16 year old age groups. Recently introduced a new Intermediate Group (for 11-13 year olds), to accommodate some Year 8 young people who were reluctant to attend the Senior Group.</p>	

	Chris (New-Bridge Integrated College): EBSA is a major issue. Possible shift in focus for their part-time Welfare & Care Officer to home visits, with the aim of encouraging soft returns. Anger & behavioural and drugs & alcohol (New App 'Signal' being used to sell products) issues are on the increase. Stress & anxiety are ongoing issues.	
AOB	<p>Parentline Pathways Booklet launched by Parentline NI on Monday to coincide with Parenting Week 2024 - Call 0808 8020 400 to request a FREE copy - Spread the word! Download the Parentline NI Emotionally-Based School Avoidance Go-To HERE.</p> <p>Click HERE to view the Inspire Community Training Brochure.</p> <p>Click HERE to register for the NIHE Oil Savings Network.</p> <p>The HSCNI Dental Access Scheme aims to improve access to health service dental care for unregistered dental patients experiencing an emergency, urgent, or pressing dental condition – Further info. in today's meeting follow-up e-mail.</p> <p>Click HERE to confirm your membership of the Banbridge LPG.</p>	JP to circulate all links & reports to members
Next Meeting	<p>Dates for next year's Banbridge LPG Meetings proposed - Meetings to take place at 10am, with formats TBC in due course - Complete corresponding member survey HERE.</p> <p>Many thanks for your participation!</p>	Please accept Outlook Invite