

**CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP**

**Regional Sub Group on Black and Minority Ethnic Children and Young People**

**9<sup>th</sup> May 2012**

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| <b>Present:</b>           | Eileen Chan-Hu (Co-Chair)  | Chinese Welfare Association           |
|                           | Leslie Boydell (Co- Chair) | Belfast Trust (Arrived 12.30pm)       |
|                           | Tommy Boyle                | Belfast Trust                         |
|                           | Mary Yarr                  | North Eastern Education Library Board |
|                           | Paul Yam                   | Wah Hep Chinese Association           |
|                           | Jo Marley                  | Bryson                                |
|                           | Deirdre McAliskey          | Belong                                |
|                           | Elaine O'Doherty           | Public Health Agency                  |
|                           | Stephen Smith              | Craigavon Intercultural Programme     |
|                           | Justyna McCabe             | Newry and Mourne Council              |
| <b>In attendance:</b>     | Ann Godfrey                | Children Services Planning, HSCB      |
|                           | Andrew Hawthorne           | Children Services Planning, HSCB      |
| <b>Apologies:</b>         | Dawn Thompson              | Bryson                                |
|                           | Fergal O'Brien             | Southern Trust                        |
|                           | Lisa Moore                 | Safe and Well Project                 |
| <b>Not in Attendance:</b> | Colm McQuillan             | Northern Ireland Housing Executive    |

**Introduction**

Everyone was welcomed to the second meeting of the regional sub group for Black and Minority Ethnic Children and Young People (BME subgroup). The format of the day was a workshop to make progress on completing the group's action plan. It was agreed that Ann would lead the meeting and facilitate the workshops. There was a round of introductions and Ann introduced the agenda, which consisted of:

- An icebreaker
- Brief introduction to Children's Services Planning
- Workshop

## **Icebreaker**

To facilitate discussion, members were asked to consider the six high level outcomes and discuss their own experience of them and their work more generally.

Elaine stated that the group was a sub group of CYPSP but also of the Public Health Agency's (PHA) Regional Health and Social Wellbeing steering group.

## **Introduction to Children's Services Planning**

Ann outlined the CSP process including the purpose of the group as a working group, how it links with the other regional sub groups, the outcomes groups and the CYPSP. Ann further outlined the role of the CYPSP, the regional sub groups, the outcomes groups, locality planning groups and family support hubs.

The role of statutory agencies to represent regionally was outlined along with the role of the community and voluntary sector representatives.

Ann updated progress on the CYPSP website: [www.cypsp.org](http://www.cypsp.org)

## **Workshop**

The purpose of the workshop was to identify a strategic direction for BME children and young people consistent with the six high level outcomes. This discussion was noted and proved useful to facilitate members thinking about the process of outcomes based planning. Members were thanked for their attendance and effort. It was decided that the next meeting will combine two previously planned workshops in one day, the purpose of which is to consider the qualitative and quantitative information for each of the high level outcomes for the action plan.

## **Date of next meeting:**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2012, 9.45am – 4pm, Wah Hep Chinese Centre, Craigavon

Lunch will be provided.