ANTRIM LOCALITY PLANNING GROUP

MEMBER PROFILE

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INTRODUCTION

The Antrim Children and Young People’s Locality Group is a partnership of agencies from the statutory, voluntary and community sectors who come together to provide local solutions to the identified needs of children, young people and their families in the Antrim area.

The group is led by Antrim Borough Council and is a sub group of the Northern Outcomes Group linking to the CYPSP. The Group was formally launched on 24 October 2007.

Membership is open to all organisations who provide services in the area and the group is particularly keen to hear from children, young people and families themselves. We recognise that by working together we can all achieve better outcomes for our children and young people.

This booklet was put together with the aim of providing contact details for each member that represents the Antrim Children and Young People’s Locality Group, with information also on the services provided.

To request copies of this booklet please contact:
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BARNARDOS SAFE CHOICES NI

SERVICES PROVIDED
Working with young people who either go missing or at risk of child sexual exploitation.

AREAS COVERED
NI Wide.

AGE COVERED
All ages.

CONTACT PERSON
John Finnigan

PEN PICTURE
I am a senior practitioner with safe choices. My main role is to work directly with young people. I also deliver training and raise awareness of CSE (child sexual exploitation) with statutory, voluntary and community sectors.

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BARNARDO’S YOUNG CARERS SERVICE

SERVICES PROVIDED
Individual support, group work, peer support, family support, recreational outlet and focus work.

AREAS COVERED
Ballymena/Antrim and surrounding areas.

AGE COVERED
8-18 years.

CONTACT PERSON
Jacqueline Ross

PEN PICTURE
Barnardos’s Young Carer’s service offers support to children and young people age 8-18 caring emotionally and or/practically for someone they live with, who is ill, has a disability, has mental health issues or misuse drugs and alcohol.

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COMMUNITY FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMME

SERVICES PROVIDED
Offer young people and their families, comprehensive support and the confidence to tackle the challenges of daily life, by identifying solutions and working together to:

• Prevent young people aged 11 – 18 leaving education.
• Support 16 – 18 year olds return to education, training or find employment.
• Assist adults 19+ years to follow their personal career path, access training and develop the skills towards finding employment.

AREAS COVERED
Ballymoney, Moyle & Coleraine, Cookstown & Magherafelt, Antrim & Ballymena, (also all areas within SHSCT.)

AGE COVERED
11 – 24 years and their parent (s) / guardian

CONTACT PERSON
Janice McMullan

PEN PICTURE
Registered General Nurse with substantial experience within Safeguarding of Children and vulnerable adults, including being a Foster Carer and as a Manager within the Community Health, Social and Childcare sectors.

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PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY (PHA)

SERVICES PROVIDED
Under the core goal of ‘improving health and wellbeing’ a Health Improvement representative from the Northern Health and Social Wellbeing Improvement Team sits on each CYCSP group in the Northern Area. Where appropriate PHA work relating to children and young people is fed into the CYCSP group and information is fed back to the Northern H&SWI team. The following are a few examples of the areas of work covered by various Health Improvement Team Members:

- Tobacco control
- Obesity prevention
- Breastfeeding
- Sexual Health
- Mental Health & wellbeing
- Suicide Prevention
- Poverty
- Oral Health
- Older People

As well as providing advice and signposting the Health Improvement team commission services to address the above issues and health inequalities. The team also works with other stakeholders on shared objectives to address health inequalities.

AREAS COVERED
Antrim, Ballymena, Ballymoney, Carrickfergus, Coleraine, Cookstown, Larne, Maghaerfelt, Moyle and Newtownabbey council areas.

AGE COVERED
All ages.

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Tobacco control
Obesity prevention
Breastfeeding
Sexual Health
Mental Health & wellbeing
Suicide Prevention
Poverty
Oral Health
Older People

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HOME-START, ANTRIM DISTRICT

SERVICES PROVIDED
Home-Start recruits and trains volunteers to help families with young children. Volunteers, who know about being a parent, support other parents by visiting them in their own homes for 2-3 hours each week. We also run a weekly Family Morning group which runs from September - June.

AREAS COVERED
Antrim Borough Council.

AGE COVERED
0-5 years.

CONTACT PERSON
Margaret Thompson

PEN PICTURE
I have worked with Home-Start in NI for 24 years as manager of the Antrim scheme, before that I was a volunteer with Home-Start Belfast for 4 years. I represent all 23 schemes of Home-Start on the National Committee Home-Start UK.

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LIVING & LEARNING TOGETHER

SERVICES PROVIDED
The aim of the project is to build a learning community that will have health and education benefits for all in Magherafelt and Antrim.

AREAS COVERED
Antrim and Magherafelt

AGE COVERED
Seniors, Youth, unemployed, Migrant Community, parents of children with special needs.

CONTACT PERSON
Marie Donaghy

PEN PICTURE
I have worked on the project since its commencement in Jan 2010 and have established local connections with groups across Antrim & Magherafelt. The Northern Regional College is the lead partner of the project.

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NEELB YOUTH SERVICE

SERVICES PROVIDED
A wide range of youth provision is provided in the areas covered.

AREAS COVERED
Ballymena, Antrim and Moyle council areas.

AGE COVERED
8-25 years.

CONTACT PERSON
Jason Jordan

PEN PICTURE
As a Senior Youth Worker, I assist the Youth Officer in the promotion and support of curriculum development in the specified division, in line with Board Policies and make a substantial contribution to the delivery of an Area Plan and the development and management of youth services.

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NETWORK PERSONNEL

SERVICES PROVIDED
Training and employment advice and support.

AREAS COVERED
Source (LEMIS) Programme
Magherafelt, Cookstown, Dungannon, Omagh, Fermanagh, Limavady, Coleraine, Ballymoney, Moyle, Ballymoney, Ballymena, Larne, Antrim, Newtownabbey, Carrickfergus

Steps to Success Programme
Magherafelt, Cookstown, Ballymena, Antrim, Larne and Carrickfergus. In addition we will also be delivering the self employment option in Derry, Strabane, Ballymena, Antrim, Larne, Carrickfergus, Magherafelt, Armagh and Newcastle.

Up For Work Programme: Magherafelt & Cookstown

Community Family Support Programme: Northern & Southern Trust Health Boards

AGE COVERED
Majority of programmes are for 16-65 year olds. Specific criteria applies to all programmes.

CONTACT PERSON
Clare McVey

PEN PICTURE
Clare has worked for Network Personnel for the past 5 years coordinating training and employment programmes. She has delivered programmes across most of the Northern Ireland and has a variety of experience working with the disadvantaged individuals and moving them into employment.

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NEWLIFE COUNSELLING

SERVICES PROVIDED
Newlife counselling offers one to one counselling and group work services for children, young people, adults and families through a number of projects.
Adult Counselling Project (ACP)
Families and Couples Counselling
OKAY (Only Kids and Youth) Project
Schools Counselling
Groupwork and training
Support for Counsellors, Therapists and related professionals.

AREAS COVERED
Newlife counselling is based in Belfast with offices in Ardoyne, Duncairn and the Newtownards road. We also work in a number of outreach centres in Belfast and in post primary schools across the Province.

AGE COVERED
Age 5 – adult (no upper age limit)

CONTACT PERSON
Kerry McDowell

PEN PICTURE
I work as an assistant team leader (South Team) with Newlife Counselling, helping to provide counselling and managerial support through the Independent Counselling Service in Schools (ICSS). I have been counselling for over 10 years in a variety of community based services, specialising in counselling young people for the past 7 years. I am also a qualified supervisor. I have previous youth work training and am a also a mum, having raised three teenage boys which helped gain lots of experience in dealing with young people and their issues.

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SERVICES PROVIDED

Roots of Empathy (ROE) is an evidence based classroom programme that has shown dramatic effect in reducing levels of aggression among school children by raising social/emotional competence and increasing empathy.

Strengthening Families is an evidence based programme aimed at reducing alcohol and drug use, behavioural problems in adolescence and strengthening the parent/carer child relationship.

AREAS COVERED
Northern Trust areas.

AGE COVERED
Roots of Empathy: primary 3 to primary 5 children.
Strengthening Families: 10-14 year olds.

CONTACT PERSON
Emma McElhone

PEN PICTURE
Employed in Health Improvement/Community development for the past 5 1/2 years. Background in community development and health promotion.

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SOUTH ANTRIM COMMUNITY NETWORK

SERVICES PROVIDED
Suicide prevention, general health and wellbeing, small grants and MARA.

AREAS COVERED
Antrim, Carrickfergus and Newtownabbey.

AGE COVERED
All ages.

CONTACT PERSON
Wendy Kerr

PEN PICTURE
Manager of a Community Network within the new council structures of Mid and East Antrim and Antrim and Newtownabbey. Wendy manages the delivery of a Community Development and Networking programme of work. Wendy has a keen interest in local community issues throughout both rural and urban localities and is involved in many other activities at a grass-roots level helping youth groups, cultural groups and older peoples groups. Wendy has a keen interest in Advanced Driving and is involved in her local group.

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WOMEN’S AID ABCLN

SERVICES PROVIDED
Support for children and young people.

AREAS COVERED
Antrim, Ballymena, Carrickfergus, Larne and Newtownabbey.

AGE COVERED
7-20 years.

CONTACT PERSON
Louise O’Kane

PEN PICTURE
Louise is a Young Person’s Services Manager. Supports include 121 work with children/young people in the home, centres or school. Group work and homework/summer support.

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