

**MINUTES OF THE SOUTH BELFAST LOCALITY PLANNING GROUP  
MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 20 JUNE 2013 AT 10AM IN  
CRESENT ARTS CENTRE**

<b>Present:</b>	Joy Poots	South Belfast SureStart (Interim Chair)
	Una Casey	CYPSP
	Carolyn Stewart	MENCAP
	Kelly Cochrane	NIACRO CAPS
	Alison Robinson	South Belfast SureStart
	Billy Dickson	Blackstaff CDA & SBPB
	Briege Arthurs	South Belfast Partnership Board
	Alana McCullough	FASA
	Gerard Rice	LORAG
	Dermot Magorrian	Youth Justice Agency
	Geraldine O'Regan	EB SureStart (Belfast OG)
	Joan Herderson	Sólás
	Karen Burns	Belfast HSC Trust
	Mary Murphy	Belfast HSC Trust
	Ruth Livingston	Village SureStart Children's Centre
	Roisin McGrann	Early Years the Organisation
<b>Apologies:</b>	Tom McEneaney	Aware Defeat Depression
	Anne Hardy	CYPSP
	Shirley Simpson	WWC
	Gabi Mornhinweg	Belfast HSC Trust

**1: Welcome and Introductions**

Joy welcomed everyone to the second meeting of the South Belfast Locality Planning Group and everyone introduced themselves.

**2: Apologies**

Noted as above

### **3: Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2013 were agreed as a true and accurate recording of the meeting.

### **4: Presentation: Gateway Geo-Mapping**

Mary Murphy introduced Karen Burns from the Belfast HSC Trust and explained that Karen had carried out a piece of research on referrals that came into the Gateway Team over the period from September 2011 to March 2012 that did not meet the threshold for statutory intervention. Many of these types of referrals that would benefit from the Family Support Hubs and Early Intervention Services.

Karen explained how she carried out the research and how she took a random sample of UNOCINIs (see attached presentation) for families that had No Future Action (NFA) or Assessed But Not Transferred (ABNT). She explained that many of the families that present to Gateway would have multiple issues. (see attached presentation)

Joy enquired about the use of UNOCINI forms. Alana (FASA) explained that her organisation is asked more and more often now for UNOCINI assessment forms and Kelly (CAPS) said that she would use them as their primary assessment tool, she also felt that referrals are more likely to be picked up by Gateway if a UNOCINI is completed. Joy felt that there were still many organisations that had no training in the use of them. Carolyn felt that they have had a bad experience in using them - the general consensus was that different organisations had differing experiences of them. It was highlighted that CINI offer training in the use of UNOCINIs.

Karen explained that it is important to distinguish between a family in need of services versus a family in need of a social worker which will continually assess and monitor that family; or to put it another way a child in need versus a child in need of protection.

Joy queried were there any gaps. It was agreed that there needed to be better tracking of families who do not meet the Gateway threshold and if they uptake the services recommended to them, it was felt that this would be one of the benefits of the family support hubs.

There was also a discussion about gaps in services and the group agreed that this would be the role of the Locality Planning Group to plan together to address any gaps. There was also a discussion around the need for schools to be better informed about issues affecting their pupils

it was felt that some schools may not be aware of children who might be in care etc. Members felt that the interface between schools and voluntary and community organisations need to be strengthened and that they could be a role for the locality group to do this. The SIF fits with this interface also. There was also some discussion around the extended schools programme. A discussion took place about the lack of services and summer schemes available for children and young people with disabilities.

Briege explained that South Belfast Partnership are involved in the development of a South Belfast education strategy which will consider and develop the interface between schools and communities leading to greater clarity around service delivery. It is based upon consultation with both community education workers and the schools in the 2 NR areas. Briege proposed to pull together a community education partnership proposal which addresses the current gaps, builds on existing services and looks towards outcomes

Briege agreed to invite Brenda Martin from BELB to make a presentation to the next meeting about the BELB's remit in South Belfast.

**Action: Briege to invite Brenda Martin to next meeting**

Joy also highlighted the need to include services that may be considered Adult services but would work with parents and therefore are relevant to the LPG, for example Aware.

Billy highlighted that Churches in the area need to be involved in the process. Joy asked if there is a Church forum in the area and that maybe someone could come along to the group to represent this forum.

**Action: Members to find out if there is a Church Forum in S Belfast**

A discussion took place about issues affecting young people for example cyber bullying and "sexting" and the damaging affect this can have on children and young people. Kelly explained that she had recently attended a presentation about this issue by INEQE which stated that adults are a generation behind when it comes to internet usage. Kelly also highlighted the very useful website [www.transl8it.com](http://www.transl8it.com) which helps parents to understand "text-speak" and abbreviations what young people use. The group agreed that this is an issue that needs to be included in other programmes. Dermot highlighted that there had been 63 criminal

offences in recent times involving inappropriate use of social media. Members felt that parents needed to get more up to speed and be more able to take responsibility for their child's online safety.

## **5 Outcomes Based Planning and Area Profile**

Una explained that she is currently developing a toolkit for locality planning groups to use. This tool kit includes information about outcomes based planning which she shared with the group. She highlighted that outcomes based planning gives us all a sense of common purpose and a common language and that well expressed common purpose creates an environment where everyone can make specific and important contributions to achieving that outcomes. She also highlighted that outcomes based planning will maximise the coordination of different agencies and sectors and that no matter how effective, no one single programme or organisation can do it alone that it takes contribution by all to make a difference that is measureable and positive. Una also explained outcomes based planning language such as outcomes, indicators and so on. Una tabled an area profile carried out by Gabi Mornhinweg (BHSCT) this area profile has very useful information at ward level and includes a description of each ward in South Belfast. This will be very useful along with the information and statistics provided by other members of the LPG when it comes to the group identifying gaps, issues and planning services.

## **6: Terms of Reference**

This was deferred to the next meeting

## **7: Representation/Membership**

As discussed above members felt that there needs to be representation from education and local church groups on the LPG. A discussion took place about the development of the group and members getting to know about each other's work in more depth. It was agreed that the next meeting would take the form of "speed dating" with members bringing along information about what services they offer. In advance of this meeting Una will design and circulate a template for members to complete with their information. This will then be made into a membership directory.

**Action: Una to circulate template for members to complete.**

**Action: Members to bring along leaflets etc to development meeting**

## **Update from Belfast Outcomes Group**

Geraldine informed the meeting that the Belfast Outcomes Group has identified Gerry Largey to take forward the next steps in the development of the family support hubs in Belfast. She suggested that he could come along to the next meeting to discuss what stage the hubs are at and so on.

**Action: Geraldine to invite Gerry to the next meeting.**

## **Date Time and Venue of next meeting.**

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2013 at 10am - Venue to be confirmed

## **ACTION SUMMARY:**

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