

**BELFAST OUTCOMES GROUP  
MEETING HELD IN  
LIGONIEL IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION  
ON 13<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2015 AT 10.00 A.M.**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Apology</b>
Ms. Lesley Walker (Chair)	Belfast HSC Trust	✓	
<b>Statutory Sector</b>			
Mr. Tommy Boyle	Belfast HSC Trust	✓	
Ms. Carol Diffin	Belfast HSC Trust	✓	
Mr. Des Marley	NIHE, Belfast Area		✓
Ms. Brenda Martin	BELB	✓	
Mr. Séamus Mullen	PHA		✓
Ms. Elaine Black	Belfast City Council	✓	
Ms. Patricia Muldoon	Youth Justice Agency		✓
Mr. Danny Power	HSCB Belfast Local Commissioning Group		✓
Mr. B. McIlwaine	PSNI		✓
<b>Community Sector</b>			
Ms. Maggie Andrews	East Belfast Community Rep.	✓	
Ms. Tina Gregory	West Belfast Community Rep.	✓	
Ms. Natasha Brennan	South Belfast Community Rep.	✓	
Ms. Maria Morgan	North Belfast Community Rep.	✓	
<b>Voluntary Sector</b>			
Ms. Anne Donnelly	Belfast & Lisburn Women's Aid	✓	
Ms. Alison McNulty	Tiny Life		✓
Ms. Gemma Donnelly	Extern	✓	
Ms. Colette Slevin	Mencap		✓
<b>BME Sector</b>			
Ms. Dawn Thompson	Bryson Children's Services	✓	
<b>Partnership Sector</b>			
Ms. Roisin McCooley	Belfast Childcare Partnership	✓	
Mr. Jackie Redpath	Belfast Strategic Partnership	✓	
Ms. Jackie McBrinn	BH DU Manager		✓
Mr. Ben Hanvey	Belfast Strategic Partnership	✓	
<b>In Attendance</b>			
Ms. Anne Hardy	CYPSP Children's Services	✓	
Ms. Una Casey	CYPSP	✓	
Mr. Gerry Largey	Belfast HSC Trust – Hub Lead	✓	
Mr. Maurice Leeson	HSCB – CYPSP Link		✓
Ms. Trisha O'Connor	Minute Taker	✓	
Ms. Helen Dunn	CYPSP	✓	
Ms. Amanda McLean	PHA	✓	
Mr. Maurice Meehan	PHA	✓	



<p><b>Ms. Hardy</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Walker</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Hardy</b></p>	<p><u>Evaluation Tool-kit Update</u> – Ms. Hardy spoke to this item. A lot of groups are doing good work but this work needs to be proved and evaluated. This will be done in 3 parts – 1. Look at Outputs; 2. List Standard Outcomes Measures and 3. List Resilience Measures. There was considerable discussion on this item and how this tool-kit will link in and make connections with other similar pieces of work, i.e. CSIB work, Outcomes Accountability work, OBA and the differences in these pieces of work. Some members asked for clarification re: timeframe for release and requested release prior to Action Planning Workshop.</p> <p><b>Ms. Hardy will liaise with Maurice Leeson and ask for tool-kit to be released prior to planning meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2015.</b></p> <p>Mr. Largey highlighted the necessity for a timeline and underpinning framework to be in place for the launch of commissioning process on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2015.</p> <p>Ms. Walker added that another concern is the issue re: PHA funding for Parenting Programme and that they will also use a base tool for measuring outcomes. The lead staff member is not yet in post in Belfast.</p> <p>The practicalities of OBA were discussed and issue of having various draft pilot tools.</p> <p><b>Ms. Walker will raise all issues at Regional Chairs meeting.</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Hardy to liaise with colleagues and feedback to Ms. Walker who will then put all issues in writing.</b></p>
<p><b>Mr. Largey / Ms. Black</b></p>	<p><b>4. Outcomes Services Commissioning Process Update</b></p> <p>Mr. Boyle advised that following legal advice re: the difficulties in setting procurement specifications without full coverage of Hubs, it has been decided to move to an open call, set against identified priorities to ensure money is released in new financial year. Mr. Largey followed by explaining to members the reasoning behind this decision. An open call will be a more flexible process. Ms. Walker added that we must make sure to line up commissioning planning, DSC monies and DSD monies and this will be a good opportunity to better line up the processes.</p> <p>Mr. Boyle gave an outline of what commissioning process and model will look like, over 3 years with 2 review points – model now defined as ‘1+1+1’. Information event will be on 26<sup>th</sup> February and applications are to be submitted by 12<sup>th</sup> March 2015. Mr. Boyle advised that process will be open to all organisations. Ms. Black felt that the boundaries for applications should be made very clear, i.e. applications from organisations within Belfast only or outside Belfast but who deliver services to Belfast area or delivering to adjoining areas.</p> <p><b>Mr. Largey and Ms. Black to tease out any issues re: application process following today’s meeting.</b></p>
	<p><b>5. Family Support Hubs Update and Decisions</b></p> <p>Ms. Largey provided Hubs papers which were passed around the table. Ms. Gregory asked that papers are provided well in advance of meeting to allow</p>

members enough time to read through documents.

Mr. Largey spoke to the update paper which outlines the recent issues regarding cutbacks and the impacts on the Trust and he gave a detailed summary of funding issues and the clarification which has now been received. Full funding has been confirmed for 7 Hubs until March 2016. Mr. Largey continued re: information provided on pages 2 and 3 re: proposed Hub Networks and proposed Hub areas. There will be a range of scales and models which will be able to provide a rich variety of data and 6 prospective Hub areas have been identified which Mr. Largey is asking members to prioritise today and decide on running order of delivery. Mr. Largey continued to update re: information on pages 4 and 5, i.e. commitment of CYPSP/HSCB to fund 7 Hubs until March 2016; underspend of £17,543.50 approx. and small money returns of £6,678 which equates closely to the full year effect costs of 1 £25k Hub; expression of interest from DSD Building Successful Communities initiative to fund a Hub in the prospective Falls area, to be confirmed following meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2015. Discussion followed re: deficits in funding and the impact on the delivery of Hubs, phased delivery, slippage in delivery and he proposed 3 ways in which the deficit can be tackled. Ms. Casey suggested holding 4 workshops across Belfast to discuss these issues. Mr. Largey advised that they are committed to holding 4 meetings per area prior to set up of a Hub. Discussion ensued re: topic of meetings, i.e. amount of meetings per area, appropriateness/necessity of these meetings, grouping 2 areas together and delay to delivery of Hubs.

Ms. Black asked for some feedback/evaluation reports re: Hubs and Mr. Redpath and Ms. Brennan responded with their views from their respective areas.

With regard to Ms. Black query re: allowing voluntary organisation to set up a Hub in the missing areas, Mr. Largey advised that there will be legal issues re: this. The Trust is currently the lead body to run the Hubs, not to set up. This is because they have a central safeguarding role and must ensure a safe access to services.

Mr. Largey informed that there will hopefully be at least 4 Hubs set up by June 2015 and asked for guidance from Outcomes Group members re: the sequencing of the roll-out of these following Hubs. Some members advised to move with the Hubs which are most ready first. Considerable discussion and debate followed re: prioritisation of the Hub areas. The following sequence was recommended and agreed by all:

1. Greater Falls (with Building Successful Communities monies)
2. Lower North
3. Belfast beyond the Outer Ring
4. Outer West
5. South Belfast
6. Central North

*(subject to discussions at Locality Planning Groups, offer of extra input from Helen Dunn and offer from other Statutory agencies to assist with roll-out)*

Mr. Largey highlighted the one final issue re: the in-year funding of 2 Hubs and he suggested ways in which this can be addressed: (a) Partner agencies to fund; (b) use of short-fall money; (c) use of service money. Ms. Walker



<p><i>Ms. Hardy</i></p> <p><i>All</i></p> <p><i>All</i></p>	<p>information stand at the event.</p> <p>There is no funding for this post from April 2016. Ms. Walker added that discussion at February workshop is required re: making a funding proposal.</p> <p><b><i>Ms. Hardy to liaise with Maurice Meehan re: funding and ask for final clarification letter.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>All members to go back to respective organisations re: making a commitment to funding.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>All members to delegate staff to Locality Planning Groups if not already done so.</i></b></p>
<p><i>All</i></p> <p><i>Mr. Meehan</i></p>	<p><b>7. EITP Workstream 2 Proposal</b></p> <p>Mr. Maurice Meehan and Ms. Amanda McLean joined the meeting at this stage to discuss background and developments with regard to Workstream 2. The focus is aimed at Early Intervention and originally there was potentially be up to 20 services in Northern Ireland, 4 of which to be in Belfast over 3 year fixed term period and Business Plan had been developed. Some government concerns have recently been raised re: putting services in place for under 1 year, mainstreaming and what will happen following 3 year fixed term, i.e. standing down services etc.</p> <p>Following the concerns raised and discussions which have taken place, PHA have agreed that the best way for EITP investment would be to invest in 5 regional services focussing on a pilot service in each Trust area over 3 year period. They will have discussions with Outcomes Groups and engage with communities re: where service will be delivered in order to feed pilot service. Funding will be less that £200k per year for 3 year period and then concluded. Ms. McLean added that this funding is for 2.5 x professional Band 6 staff, 1 x Band 4 staff and 0.4 Admin staff and this has been decided based on other services and following stakeholder engagement. Mr. Meehan acknowledged the implications involved regarding the fixed 3 year period but he did note that there is commitment to regard pilot as more than 3 years. Timescale for set is July 2015. Ms. Walker thanked Mr. Meehan and Ms. McLean for their presentation and invited questions from members.</p> <p>Considerable discussion followed re: areas, i.e. where; size of area/population; what is needed in each locality; budget for Belfast; slippage of monies and use of this; purpose of service; required linkages. The proposed area will need to be identified as early as possible as an Impact Assessment has been requested by government to ensure community balance and decision to be made by Outcomes Groups. Commissioning process will then commence re: management of the service, this will go out to open tender and there will bids for 5 lots. A Regional Co-ordinator will be appointed for the 5 areas to ensure line up across the Region.</p> <p><b><i>Locality Planning Groups to have discussions re: potential Pilot Service Areas and put in expression of interest to Outcomes Group and members will discuss and identify area at Action Planning Meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> February.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Mr. Meehan will feedback all issues and concerns to Programme Board.</i></b></p>

<b>Mr. Meehan /Ms. McLean</b>	<b>Mr. Meehan and Ms. McLean to feedback at next Outcomes Group re: potential increasing of investment and re-scaling.</b>
<b>Ms. O'Connor</b>	<b>Ms. O'Connor to re-circulate email from Amanda McLean re: Early Intervention Workstream 2 workshop requesting 1 Statutory, 1 Voluntary and 1 Community Rep. All nominations should be sent to Ms. McLean.</b>
<b>Chairs</b>	<b>Further discussion to occur with Jason White and EITP re: slippage.</b>
<b>All</b>	<b>Response to Maurice Meehan by end of February 2015.</b>

<b>Ms. Hardy</b>	<p><b>8. Any Other Business</b></p> <p>Ms. Morgan offered the use of Wolfhill Centre for the June meeting.</p> <p>Ms. Black felt it would be helpful to receive an update on DSC Poverty Agenda in order to inform planning process. Ms. Hardy advised that the Early Intervention sub-group are working with OFMDFM re: Children's Strategy and need to look at linkages.</p> <p><b>Ms. Hardy to liaise with Maurice Leeson re: linkages and feedback.</b></p> <p>Mr. Redpath provided an update re: Integrated Services. Contract ended on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014. Linkage to a smaller EITP Project. They are still waiting on a response from Parliament. Staff are still employed on no funding.</p> <p>Mr. Hanvey informed that The 'Take 5' emotional wellbeing campaign was launched across Belfast on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January. Further information can be obtained from the website: <a href="http://www.makinglifebettertogether.com">www.makinglifebettertogether.com</a>.</p> <p>Mr. Hanvey also informed that the Launch of the 'Belfast a Learning City' will be held at Belfast City Hall on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February. 'Belfast a Learning City' is a two year strategy document produced by the Belfast Strategic Partnership's Lifelong Learning Thematic Group. It sets out a vision for Belfast as a city where learning is valued in all its forms and used as a force for improving personal, social, civic and economic change in the city and promotes equal access to Lifelong Learning opportunities which will create conditions for a better quality of life for everyone in the city.</p> <p>Ms. Gregory informed that SureStart will be receiving an 8% budget cut from August 2015 which may have implications for Family Support Hubs and Locality Planning Groups.</p> <p>Budget cuts – members noted that all organisations will have issues re: budget cuts especially voluntary organisations and there will be capacity issues for delivery of services. Ms. Walker stated that all these issues must be worked into the thinking and planning process.</p>
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**9. Dates of Future Meetings**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Venue:</b>
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	10.00 a.m.	LORAG, Shaftesbury Community & Recreation Centre, 97 Balfour Avenue, Belfast, BT7 2EW

Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2015	10.00 a.m.	Conference room, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor, Cecil Ward Building
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2015	10.00 a.m.	Ligoniel Improvement Association, Wolfhill Centre
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> August 2015	10.00 a.m.	Tbc
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> October 2015	10.00 a.m.	LORAG, Shaftesbury Community & Recreation Centre, 97 Balfour Avenue, Belfast, BT7 2EW
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 2015	10.00 a.m.	Tbc