



LOCALITY PLANNING GROUPS

UPDATE REPORT

TO

SOUTHERN OUTCOMES GROUP

June - July 2015

Locality Development Officer's Report (June - July 2015)

Locality Planning Groups

| Locality Planning Group | Chair | |
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| | Name | Organisation |
| Armagh | Ciara Burke | Closing the Gap (Armagh and Dungannon Councils) |
| Banbridge | Ryan Donaghey | REACT Ltd, Banbridge |
| Craigavon | Diane Clarke | Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough Council |
| Dungannon | Joanne McCourt | Belfast Central Mission |
| Rural Dungannon | Fergal O'Donnell | Rural Community Network |
| South Armagh | Una Walsh | Mullaghbawn Community Association |
| Newry | Regina Mackin | Newry, Mourne and Down District Council |

Priorities

Five Locality Planning Groups have agreed their key priorities to be taken forward over the coming year, the Banbridge Locality Group have yet to agree their priorities due to the postponement of their meeting. The priorities were identified and agreed at a workshop where members were able to examine and explore both qualitative and quantitative data from the Interactive Mapping System and the Stakeholder events. After much discussion and debate, the key priorities to be addressed by each Locality Planning Group are as follows:

- **Armagh Locality Planning Group:**
 - Information Road shows in partnership with local Primary Schools in Keady and Armagh City initially.
 - Review Membership of the Locality Planning Group
 - Address Dental Issues through Tooth Fairy Events in partnership with Arke Sure Start
- **Craigavon Locality Planning Group:**
 - Keeping Safe: Addressing issues impacting young people including Legal Highs, Trafficking, Drugs and Alcohol, Cyber Bullying.
 - Improve Educational Attendance Rates and Educational Achievements
 - Promote Cultural Awareness
- **Dungannon Locality Planning Group:**
 - Address Bullying
 - Address Domestic Violence
 - Support for families (including BME Families)
- **Rural Dungannon Locality Planning Group:**
 - Reduce the levels of Children and Young People experiencing Domestic Violence
 - Address areas of Crime
 - Examine the particular needs of Families at risk of Rural Isolation

- Address Bullying (however motivated)
- **South Armagh Locality Planning Group:**
 - Address bullying however motivated and increase parents' and young people's knowledge of online safety
 - Promote the emotional, mental and physical well-being of Children and Young People in the Community
 - Increase dental registrations and improve dental health of Children and Young People
 - Promote a positive image of Young People
- **Banbridge Locality Planning Group - To be agreed in the coming weeks.**

Each Locality Action Plan will be updated with the key priorities and the supporting qualitative and quantitative information.

Locality Group Updates

Armagh Locality Planning Group

- Mia Murray (Arke Sure Start) has been selected as Vice Chair for the Locality Group. Current Chair, Ciara Burke is going on Maternity leave in August and Mia will take over the role of Chair in Ciara's absence.
- A partnership, including a number of Planning Group members submitted an application to the Big Lottery Fund. They have completed their telephone Interview and are awaiting a final decision. The project, FACT – Families and Communities Together, seeks to support families with children aged 0 – 12 years including BME and Traveller Families in the Armagh City area.
- The Group will host a Youth Employability and Volunteer Fair on Tuesday, 20 October 2015 in Armagh Leisure Centre. There has been significant interest from local schools and the Southern Regional College regarding this event. A sub group has been set up to take forward this event.
- The Locality group are working in partnership with Arke Sure Start to deliver a Tooth Fairy Event on Thursday, 15 October 2015.
- The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 17 September 2015.

Banbridge Locality Planning Group

- Funding is having a significant impact on local groups in the Banbridge area.
- Meeting was due to be held on Thursday, 30 July 2015, however this was rescheduled - a new date is to be confirmed.

Craigavon Locality Planning Group

- Group are exploring training opportunities for members particularly around issues impacting the local community including Legal Highs, Trafficking and Online Safety.
- The group are exploring possible actions to take forward the agreed priorities.
- The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 29 September 2015.

Dungannon Locality Planning Group

- A Volunteer Fair will be held in the autumn (date to be confirmed). Initial correspondence with local schools and education providers has been very positive. The Locality group is liaising with Aidan McCabe (Volunteer Now) regarding this event.
- A Domestic Violence Awareness session, delivered by Women's Aid will be held in September 2015, for members of the Dungannon Locality Group.
- The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 10 September 2015.

Rural Dungannon Locality Planning Group

- Positive feedback was received from those participating in the Music Therapy Classes in June 2015.
- There was a very positive response to the recent 'Safeguarding your children and Young People Online' workshop. Local organisations are exploring the possibility of rolling this out through local schools.
- The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 8 September 2015.

South Armagh Locality Planning Group

- Number of joint projects between member organisations including breastfeeding club and walking groups are in the pipeline.
- Cancer Bus visited Traveller Group in Killeavy in June, organised by the Early Years Project and an Information session has been organised for the Traveller Community.
- The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 15 September 2015

Southern Region - General

- There is a significant interest from locality members to participate in Interactive Mapping training. Annie is liaising with the CYPSP Information Team regarding potential dates and venues for this training in September 2015.

Locality Chairs Meeting

Annie and Nuala met with Paul Morgan, Southern Outcomes Group Chair, on Tuesday, 30 June 2015 to provide an update on the work of the Locality groups, to discuss future areas of work and to identify possible links between the Southern Trust and the Locality Groups. The next meeting of the Southern Locality Group Chairs and Paul Morgan is due to be held on Monday, 7 September 2015.

Regional Meetings

Annie attended the Regional Locality meeting on Wednesday, 3 June 2015 and the CYPSP Partnership Stakeholder Event held in Mossley Mill on Friday, 12 June 2015.