



**Update Report to Belfast Outcomes Group  
from Locality Planning Groups**

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This document sets out the work on-going or planned in the Belfast area in relation to the agreed outcomes of the Belfast Outcomes Group and each of the four Locality Planning Groups within the Belfast area.

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**Table 1** below shows a summary of Belfast LPG Outcomes, in relation to the priority outcomes agreed by the Outcomes Group.

**Table 2** below shows a summary of emerging needs identified by Belfast LPGs

## EMERGING NEEDS

Locality planning groups use a number of methods to assess the local need for early intervention family support services

### Statistical Data at local ward or lower level

### Emerging Needs/Community based information

Locality Groups are well placed to engage with children, young people parents and communities. This work provides important information about emerging needs, identifying issues well before they become entrenched and well before the families come to the attention of any statutory agency.

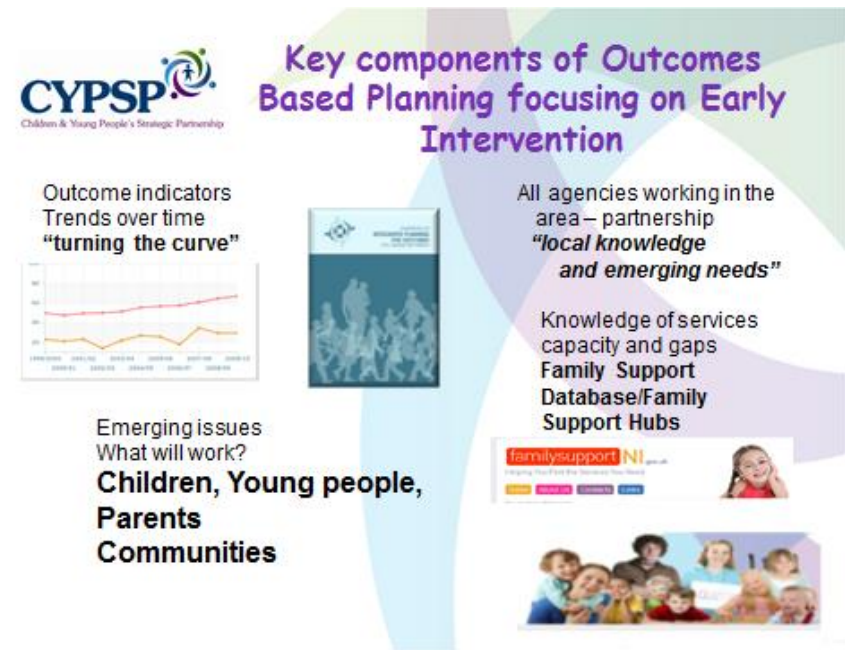
This information is vital for action at early intervention level.

### Family Support Hubs

Family support hubs provide vital information about unmet needs, gaps in services and capacity issues for local services. A formal mechanism is being developed meanwhile this is being achieved by dual membership arrangements.

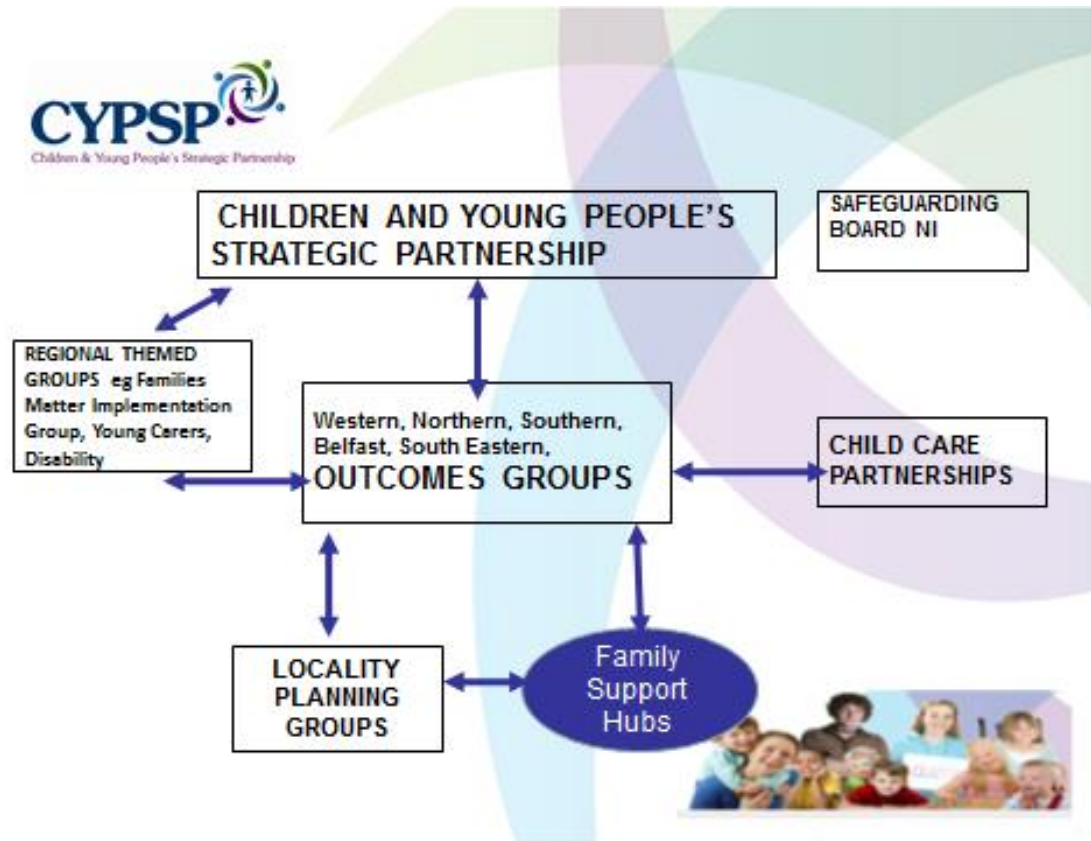
### Member Agency

Locality Planning Groups work to bring all service providers in the area together so they can plan in a co-ordinated and collective manner. Each member brings a wealth of local knowledge about needs and services to the table.



## Process for planning.

The diagram below shows the linkages and flows of information between groups within the CYPSP process.



## OUTCOMES SUMMARY

The following **Table 2** shows the Locality Planning Outcomes in relation to the Belfast Outcomes Group's agreed priority outcomes. The actions carried out at local level will contribute to the achievement of these outcomes.

High Level Outcome	Belfast OG Outcomes	LPG Outcomes North	LPG Outcomes South	LPG Outcomes East	LPG Outcomes West
Being healthy	<p><b>Outcome 1</b></p> <p><b>All children and young people are healthy</b></p>	Improved co-ordination and networking for all youth services to maximise overall provision	Improved equity of service for children and young people with disabilities. Better co-ordination & promotion of health related initiatives for children, young people and families.	Children's oral health will be improved	
<p>Enjoying, learning and achieving</p> <p>Contributing positively to community and society</p>	<p><b>Outcome 2</b></p> <p><b>All parents are empowered to support their children</b></p>	Parents and ALL children are supported to learn together	<p>Increased parental involvement with education in South Belfast.</p> <p>Improved educational outcomes for all children and young people in disadvantaged communities.</p>	<p>Primary school rates will be improved</p> <p>Post- primary school and alternatives education rates will be improved</p> <p>The quality and impact of after (out of) schools provision in East Belfast will be improved</p> <p>Better access &amp; integration to services &amp; improved networking for BME communities in EB</p>	<p>Consistent key messages and information, accessible to all and delivered effectively pre-pregnancy and all the way through early years</p> <p>ALL children and young people have good family lives</p>
<p>Living in safety and with stability</p> <p>Experiencing Economic and Environmental Wellbeing</p>	<p><b>Outcome 3</b></p> <p><b>All children are safe, secure and happy in all elements of their lives</b></p>	Support Resiliency for all children, young people and families	<p>Promote resilience for all children, young people and families in South Belfast.</p> <p>Provide key consistent messages to all young children and young people in South Belfast enabling better choices.</p>	<p>East Belfast will have an integrated family support type service available with children aged 5-11</p> <p>East Belfast will have an integrated family support type service available with children aged 12-18</p> <p>There will be reduced numbers of young people taking part in harmful/ risky behaviours</p>	<p>ALL children and young people will have access to inclusive community services and social activities</p>

EMERGING ISSUES ARISING – APRIL/ MAY 2016

LPG	Emerging issue to be reported to OG	Evidence/ Source
North	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Early Intervention school based services to prevent NEETS</li> <li>2. Community based education services</li> <li>3. Formal process/ connection between hubs/ LPG/ Outcomes Group</li> </ol>	Members
South	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Little provision for language classes re. EAL</li> <li>2. Access to outcomes measures</li> <li>3. Services to support parenting programmes</li> </ol>	Members & Hubs
East	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. EISS service not provided in all areas</li> <li>2. Attendance at school support for parents</li> <li>3. ASD/ Autism</li> </ol>	Stats, members & hubs
West	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Impact of Welfare Reform</li> <li>2. ASD/ Autism</li> <li>3. Lack of counselling services</li> </ol>	Stats, members & hubs

## ACTIVITY UPDATE

### North Belfast

#### Education / health event

#### Outcome 2

The North Belfast Locality Planning Group are planning to attend a health fair in the Girls Model School in June. This event will give members the opportunity to gain information from an evaluation at the event to a mixture of young people and families. The aims agreed by the sub group are as follows:

1. Raise awareness of the LPG/ Family Support Hubs
2. Give information about services available locally
3. Extend the membership of LPG with the other organisations present

The education event was intended to be an evaluation event for the Chill and Spill project which was to be run in Girls Model, and led by The Simon Community. Unfortunately the posts within The Simon Community will no longer be funded and Declan and Damien will not be able to carry out the project. The locality group will look at how this can be taken forward, in some form, however currently there is a lack of resources.

#### Collective Impact

#### Outcome 2

Michelle Harris from Collective Impact has been attending the North Belfast Locality Planning Group. This project is being carried out in North Belfast and Antrim. In North Belfast Collective Impact will work to a small number of strategic outcomes which will focus on improvements in educational attainment, wellbeing and community connections. Michelle is working closely with the Locality Planning Group in North Belfast in relation to Outcome 1 of their Action Plan.

## **South Belfast**

### Mental Health Map

#### **Outcome 3**

In 2014/15, members of the South Belfast Locality Planning Group put together a directory of Mental Health Services in the South Belfast area, which was identified need at the Locality Group. This will be updated on an annual basis as funding is so changeable. This is being co-ordinated alongside the hubs in South Belfast and is being updated for the current financial year. The outcome of this document has been that members of the LPG and hubs have found this useful when making referrals.

### Education Outcomes

#### **Outcome 2**

The South Belfast Locality Planning Group identified positive engagement with education as one of their outcomes. Attendance, attainment and English as an additional language have all been identified in South Belfast as issues in certain wards, however these areas are sometimes overshadowed by high attendance and attainment in other wards. Given the geography in South Belfast, poor attendance and attainment can be concealed. To look at these educational issues in more detail, a sub group has been identified, with attendance from relevant groups such as Scoil an Droichead, PUL and SEN.



## **East Belfast**

### **Outcome 3**

#### Sexual Exploitation Workshop

Concerns had been raised in East Belfast about the numbers of Children and Young People taking part in risky behaviours, as identified in the action plan. In May 2015 Jacqui Montgomery-Devlin from Barnardo's Safe Choices and Sharon Traynor from EBCDA talked about Child Sexual Exploitation. In the conversations which followed, it was agreed it was important to spread these messages and hold a workshop type event. This event is due to take place in September 2016.

## **West Belfast**

### **Outcome 3**

#### Inclusion Charter

One of the outcomes decided by the LPG members in the West Belfast area is 'ALL children and young people will have access to inclusive community services and social activities'. Members expressed a desire to make the local area a 'disability friendly zone' and organisations would hold a 'statement/ charter of excellence' to show inclusion of all children in the West Belfast area. An email was circulated around members to send their organisation's mission statement/aims/objectives and any ideas they have about what should be included. These have been compiled and a decision about the statement which will be used in the charter will be made at the next Locality Planning Group.

## All Locality Planning Groups

### Outcome 3

### Autism Awareness Training

As one of the main priorities in all Locality Planning Groups in Belfast, Autism NI delivered 3 Autism Awareness sessions for members, hosted by NIACRO. This enabled over 100 front line staff, including health visitors, to take part in the sessions. Participants felt that the sessions were very useful, informative and was delivered excellently. See comments and pictures below:

Enlightening, it helped me to see what life is like with Autism

Enjoyable training, learned a lot in 3 hours. Interesting and very relevant to my work with young people

Best training/workshop I have ever attended

Will influence my practise and will share with others



### Steps to Cope Presentations

All Locality Planning Groups received a presentation from Steps to Cope about their Service. Steps to Cope is a Service which helps children to deal with parental alcohol misuse. Many members felt this training would be useful for their organisation, however would not have enough members to run their own training. It was decided a training session could be run involving all Belfast Locality Groups, this is due to take place in the next 2 months and will be circulated to all Locality Group members.

### Training Calendar

**Outcome 3**

Locality Planning Groups identified a need for a record of local training which is taking place, as some training courses are oversubscribed and others are not running at full capacity. It also became clear that there is training running locally which could be beneficial for organisations if they were aware of it. Some of the Hub Co-ordinators noted that this has been very beneficial in their work.

### Hub presentations

All Locality Planning Groups have either had a presentation from the Family Support Hubs in their area. It was acknowledged that this has been useful to understand issues of referral, unmet need and help inform planning at an early stage.

### Presentations to Women's Aid

Each Locality Planning Group chair gave a presentation to Women's Aid about what is happening in each area. This was a great opportunity to strengthen linkages.

### **Connections Strengthened/ Established:**

- Links with WBPB through 'Health for All' workshops
- Eastside Learning
- Collective Impact (North Belfast)
- Alan Wilson gave a presentation (EA Youth Service Area Co-Ordinator)
- BME Hub links (South Belfast)
- SENAC links (South Belfast)
- NCB presentation

### **New members:**

- Mental Health Hub (South Belfast)
- Nsau Droichead (South Belfast)
- Belfast Child Intervention Co-ordinator
- Smile SureStart (North Belfast)
- Action Cancer (North Belfast)
- Resolve (East Belfast)
- NIHE (East Belfast)