

Newry Locality Planning Group - Minutes

21st February 2018 at 10am Newry Youth Resource Centre

<p>Facilitator: Jacinta Linden (SPACE)</p> <p>Attendees: Darren Curtis (CYPSP Locality Development Officer) Kerri Morrow (Newry Mourne and Down) Paul Bradley (EANI) Kerry O'Hagan (CYPSP) Bevin O'Hare (Homestart) Dara O'Hagan (Clanrye) Emma (Parent Action) Ciara Doris (Start 360)</p>	<p>Apologies:</p> <p>Lizzy Smyth (Magnet YAC) Micheal Carlisle (Youth Justice Agency) Fergal O'Brien (SHSCT) Ruth Purdy (SHSCT) Sarah Byrne (SHSCT) Martina McCooey (SHSCT) Sinead Wadforth (Early Years) Seamus (PIPs)</p>
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<p>1. Welcome/ Introductions/ Apologies Jacinta welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Apologies as noted above.</p>	<p>Members were asked to sign in.</p>
<p>2. Previous Minutes 6th December 2017 Darren gave an overview of last meeting Minutes agreed.</p> <p>3. Action plan: Disability Sub Group The sub group is trying to map services and activities currently available within the area for disabled children and young people. A survey will be sent out via survey monkey to gather the information and details from all organisations currently working in this area. Questions to be finalised questions at the subgroup meeting on after the Locality meeting. Rathore School agreed to host a launch event, no date currently set. CYPSP working on identifying the boundary for the Newry area. Darren to send out list of groups/services to the Locality Group members which have already been identified as providing a service to disabled children and young people. Anything missing from the list or any suggestions contact Darren.</p>	<p>Darren to circulate list of services.</p>

4. Update from Family Support Hub

Referrals continue to rise and more complex cases are presenting to the Hub.
Currently a heavy schedule this month.
The Standards have been revised and signed off for the Hubs.

5. Update from the Southern Outcomes Group

The Southern Outcomes Group working through the action planning process for the next couple of years.
The CYPSP website has further information, Darren Curtis to send through link.
Task and Finish groups are starting to plan events.

6. Emerging Needs

Darren explained that any emerging issues are fed back to the Southern Outcomes Group and this helps to define strategic planning.

- Darren gaged if any of the groups had noted any issues with new Bulgarian Roma families within their areas. Currently this had come up in other Locality Groups.
- KM – There are issues within Newtownhamilton with merging communities and huge housing pressures.
- Family Foundations – are providing support to Bulgarian families on housing, Interpreters and benefits. They noted there is considerable cross boarder movement linked mainly to mushroom farms and meat processing plants.
- PB – noted a huge problem with attendance figures in Newry High School in relation to new Bulgarian families.
- Disability Support Services, high need and bespoke requirements including learning support and counselling.
- Misuse of script medication, could we get access to the DAMHS report?

Darren to feed through to Southern Outcomes Group.

7. Member Agency Update

KM – Council delivered Safe Place training to all business, community and voluntary sectors.
10th March 2018, White Ribbon Event at 9.30 am Newry Leisure Centre. People will be encouraged to sign their organisations up to support men advocating on behalf of women. Any organisation can sign up to the pledge.
There is also the 'Walk a mile in her shoes' event with only males participating in the walk.
Financial assistance policy is currently open.

Parent Action – Emma provided an outline of Parent Action and its advocacy service, signposting to different organisations and empowering parents. Currently running a parent to parent group to help identify gaps.

Homestart – Recruitment campaign for volunteers to support families. Poverty remains high in Kilkeel area, families making decisions on heat or eat. This issue is more visible in Kilkeel and Warrenpoint as they are outside Surestart areas. Families are vulnerable and using loan sharks.
Incredible Years running in Warrenpoint and hugely oversubscribed.

Clanrye – Dara explained that a new cohort for 16-25 years old and is cross community. If any groups are open

Darren to circulate CYPSP website link

Darren to enquire into DAMHS report and getting a copy of this.

<p>to Clanrye for the Renegade programme to let Dara know. Currently recruiting for different programmes.</p> <p>Start 360 – Ciara noted a low uptake of the PHA Dry January grants. Only 5 applications for the Southern Trust. 23rd March 2018, Start 360 and PCSP are hosting an event, Ciara to circulate details when all confirmed. 11th April 2018 Teresa Burke will host a presentation on drugs and her son’s overdose. Very powerful message. Schools events: 6th March 2018 at SRC and 21st March 2018 at St Joseph’s High School, events are on drugs awareness and will include Teresa Burke giving a presentation.</p> <p>EA – Paul gave an update on the YAFTAs. Nominations close Friday 23rd February 2018. Nominations are via an online form.</p> <p>Learning Together programme is running in schools with the lowest achievement results. The main issues noticed are young people coming into schools without breakfast and concerns that they have been up all night gaming and that has become a cycle of behaviour. Other issues include: Sectarianism, gender and mental health. Also, there is a lack of support and education on sexual health within schools with the school counsellor regarded as a punishment.</p> <p>Group discussed the violence creeping back into relationships and the pressure and stress in society on perfectionism.</p>	<p>Ciara to circulate event information.</p>
<p>8. AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reminder – A calendar for events exists on the CYPSP website and if anyone would like to have their events added, contact Darren or Kerry. • Karen Barbar will be giving an awareness session on upcoming parenting your teen at the next meeting. • Next meeting rescheduled to 18th April 2018 as it clashes with ‘Making Good Choices’ event. 	<p>Rescheduled Locality Group meeting date to be circulated to all members.</p>
<p>Next Meeting: Date: 18th April 2018 Time: 10.00am Venue: Newry Youth Resource Centre <i>Thank you all for attending and contributing to the meeting</i></p>	