



**Minute of Western Area Outcomes Group
held on 29 August 2018 at 10 am
Strabane Enterprise Agency**

Present:

Mr Kieran Downey, Director of Women & Children’s Services [Chair]
 Mr Kevin Duffy, Head of Service [Family Support & Gateway]
 Mr Robert Gibson, Director of Community, Health & Leisure,
 Fermanagh & Omagh District Council
 Mrs Monica MacIntyre, Department for Communities
 Ms Linda Watson, Caw/Nelson Drive Community Association
 Mr Barry O’Hagan, Derry & Strabane District Council
 Ms Brenda MacQueen, Dry Arch Children’s Centres
 Ms Muriel Bailey, Director for Family Support Services, Parenting NI
 Ms Patricia Devine, Deputy Chief Education Welfare Officer, Education
 Authority
 Ms Kat Healy, Migrant Centre NI
 Chief Inspector Jonathan Hunter, PSNI
 Ms Colleen Heaney, Assistant Director, Youth Justice Agency

In attendance:

Mr Maurice Leeson, HSCB
 Ms Una Casey, Business Support Manager, CYPSP
 Mrs Priscilla Magee, Family Support Locality Planning Co-ordinator
 Ms Elaine Forrest, Personal Assistant, Western Trust

1	<p>Apologies</p> <p>Mrs Ann McDuff, Assistant Director [Community & Public Health] Mrs Bronagh Donnelly, Family Support Locality Planning Co-ordinator Ms Cathy McCloskey, Early Years Organisation Ms Joanne Sweeney, Mencap Ms Claire Lynch, Derry & Strabane District Council Dr Pauline McClenaghan, Executive Director, Lifestart Mr Danny Bryce, Programme Manager, Extern</p>
2	<p>Notes of Previous Meeting held on 27 June 2018</p> <p>Minutes of the previous meeting held on 27 June 2018 were agreed as an accurate record of the discussion. Mr Downey thanked Mrs McDuff for Chairing the last</p>

	meeting and Ms Casey for taking the minutes.
3	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>Membership/Outcomes Group Recruitment Mr Meehan reminded members that the regional recruitment process for community, voluntary and BME sector representatives of all the Outcomes Groups of the Children and Young People’s Strategic Partnership, and co-ordinated by CINI, was due to close on 14 September 2018. Mr Gibson and Mr O’Hagan confirmed that this information had been circulated by both Councils.</p> <p>Recommendations from Disability Workshop Mr Meehan reported that a newsletter detailing new services was being distributed to Hubs via Ms Stephanie Thompson, Children’s Services Planning Officer, HSCB. Mr Downey undertook to speak with Ms Karen O’Brien, Director of Adult Mental Health & Disability Services, regarding research undertaken by the University of Ulster around health messages for screening.</p>
	<p>Presentation - Healthy Kidz Mr Downey welcomed Mr Liam McCorry, Mr Paul Carvill and colleagues from Healthy Kidz, to the meeting.</p> <p>Mr McCorry informed members that Healthy Kidz was a comprehensive coach led fitness programme, inclusive of every child, with the following aims:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To get every child active, fit and healthy. ➤ To build up a child’s confidence, self esteem and emotional resilience. ➤ An opportunity for vulnerable children to participate in after school activities. ➤ Provision of an App for young people, their families and communities. <p>He advised that 100 schools were involved in the programme which was effective, sustainable and fun. He reported that Healthy Kidz had received funding of £40,000 from the NI Assembly and six major companies had invested in local schools. He said the cost of the programme was £40 per child, per year.</p> <p>Mr Carvill acknowledged the support received from local Councils. He acknowledged the budgetary constraints on schools, but said they had received excellent support from Parent Teacher Associations, local communities and private businesses. He said they wished other Principals to embrace the programme so it could be extended to other areas in NI. Ms Devine extended an invitation to Healthy Kidz to present their programme to a regional Education Authority’s Heads of Service meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Chief Inspector Hunter endorsed the Health Kidz programme and offered assistance from the PSNI. Members congratulated staff from Healthy Kidz on the programme. Ms Heaney felt that more research was required to validate the programme, and acknowledged that Principals needed to be educated on

	<p>Adverse Childhood Experiences, trauma and resilience. Mr Gibson said local Councils also had their own accredited coaches.</p> <p><u>Action</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ms Watson agreed to report back to members on the Healthy Kidz pilots in Ebrington Primary School and Oakgrove Integrated Primary School. ➤ Mr Downey proposed that the Outcomes Group discuss the Healthy Kidz programme at a later date to discuss the possibility of commissioning the programme, if members wished. ➤ Consider the establishment of a sub group to consider any support that the Western Area Outcomes Group could provide. Mr Leeson said it would be helpful to have a representative from the PHA involved in this group. ➤ Mr Downey agreed to provide Mr McCorry with contact details for Mr Sean McCrory, EU Interreg VA MACE Project Manager, so connections could be established.
4	<p>Update from Locality Planning Groups Members noted the update reports provided by Mrs Magee and Mrs Donnelly.</p>
5	<p>Early Intervention Updates</p> <p>MACE Conference – 28 September 2018 Mr Downey reported that, to date, over 600 people had registered for the Cross Border Adverse Childhood Experiences conference on 28 September 2018 in the Millennium Forum.</p> <p>Mr Downey reported that screenings of the film “The Biology of Stress and the Science of Hope” continued. Mrs Devine reported that the film had been well received within the education sector and felt that teachers should have a placement within Social Services to further enhance their understanding of ACE’s.</p>
	<p>Presentation - Playfinder Mr Downey welcomed Mr Liam McAfee and colleagues from Playboard.</p> <p>Mr McAfee advised that Playshaper NI was designed to support those who planned, designed, built and managed public spaces to better understand the importance of play and the role they have in enabling it. He said its aim was to support effective partnership working processes with a view to creating and maintaining child friendly public spaces.</p> <p>Members acknowledged the importance of play for children and the benefits it brought - physical activity, learning skills, challenges and social development. Ms Heaney said she felt more consideration needed to be given to green spaces within new private housing developments. Council representatives agreed that attention should be given to the provision of play spaces.</p>

6	<p>Pathfinder [Fermanagh & West Tyrone] Mr Downey reported that the Western Trust had requested the Department of Health to sponsor a Pathfinder initiative to look at the provision of health and social care across Fermanagh and West Tyrone, and he had been asked to lead on this work for a period of 6 - 9 months. Mr Downey advised that he would remain connected to the ACE work going forward.</p>
7	<p>Blues Programme Mr Downey shared with members information on the Blues Programme and asked that they share this within their own organisations.</p>
8	<p>Sporting Organisations Supporting Breast Feeding Mothers Mr Downey reported that as part of Breast Feeding Awareness Week which ran from 1 - 7 August 2018, Health Visitors in the Trust were offering guidance to sporting organisations who wished to learn what they could do to make mothers feel welcome to breast feed in their facilities. He said this was part of the work being undertaken in promoting the “Best Start in Life” for children.</p>
9	<p>Resilience Doughnut Item deferred to the next meeting.</p>
10	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>End Period Poverty Initiative Mr Downey advised of the distressing issue of girls being unable to purchase sanitary products due to poverty. He reported that Mrs Sandra Duffy, Sinn Fein Councillor in Derry, had called for the introduction of free sanitary products for schools, colleges, workplaces and sport facilities.</p> <p>Ms Casey reported that this was a massive issue in England, with homeless women, asylum seekers and refugees at particular risk.</p>
11	<p>Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting 24 October 2018 at 10 am in the Conference Room, Strabane Enterprise Agency.</p>