



**Children & Young People's Partnership, 2pm, 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2009**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Apologies</b>
CLlr Alana Davies	Lead Member for BCBC (Chair)	•		
Hilary Anthony	Children's Directorate	•		
Caroline Dyer	YOS	•		
Eiri Jones	ABMU Trust ( rep Vicki Franklin)	•		
Heidi Bennett	BAVO	•		
Jean Gregson	CYPP Team	•		
Jeanette Denley	BCBC Youth Service			•
Les Jones	CYPP Team	•		
Lindsay Harper	Children's Directorate	•		
Margi Ing	Children's Champion LHB			•
Michelle Jaynes	CYPP Team	•		
Richard Landy	Children's Directorate	•		
Rosemary Fletcher	Bridgend LHB	•		
Tim Jones	South Wales Police		•	
Trevor Guy	Children's Directorate	•		
Vicki Franklin	NHS Trust	•		
Wyn Griffiths	ABMU Trust Lead Member	•		
Zoe Wallace	LHB	•		

AGENDA ITEM	ACTION REQUIRED	ACTION BY
1. Welcome & Introductions	Introductions were made and Cllr Lyn Morgan welcomed to the group	
2. Minutes & Matters Arising	<p><b>ESF / PASSWORD</b>  JG hoped to meet with Martin Swain from WAG but unfortunately this did not happen. In meantime EOI sent out by MS to all authorities in Wales, so far 15 responses most of whom have been supportive.  Concerns on amount of work incurred by partners but yet to be resolved. Noted that it is proving challenging to get sufficient match funding to make the bid worth while. JG concerns are on the relevance as the password project is about updating and up-skilling existing work force. We have pledged £100 k possibly double as BCBC match.</p> <p>Number of partners would wish to put in a small bid if the national bid does not happen.</p> <p>Noted that no comments sent to JG re corporate parenting policy so assume all consent.</p> <p><b>ASD</b>  Responsibility for progress on ASD action plan shared between HSCWB and CYPP as it covers all ages. Number of requirements by end of April 09. Appointing a lead – Cllr. Lyn Morgan  Prepare a baseline audit  Action plan to meet gaps identified in audit.</p> <p>Lot of gaps in baseline audit – info simple but not collected especially adult end for a variety of reasons i.e. no adult diagnostic service. Estimations on numbers are grossly underestimated.  Action plan is around supporting continued development and database to collect adequate information. Re adult services need to develop programmes to collect information and responses on people with ASD and Carers to care given. Examples of new work around participation generally about developing a diagnostics services</p>	

– all Wales work – work with parents of impact on families about having a child with ASD in family.

WLGA ASD coordinators visited last week, both complimentary on work that has been carried out to date. As a result WAG has now given £40k funding this year to be spent on focused direction – see letter.

Report circulated two suggestions:

1. Build on existing funding in Disabled children's team to revive the Disability register. Enabling a fulltime post and possibly more.
2. Set aside fund to commission work that will support Call. Morgan in taking forward tasks in the action plan. Hope to focus on transition as this is the most difficult area. Report on to HSCWB meeting last week and was broadly supported. Concerns that they wish to ensure that the proposals for the disability register would allow for adult ASD population to be canvassed as well.

We would continue with ASD stakeholder group that Cllr. Morgan chairs and has a range of stakeholders bit for CYP side delegate that to the Disabled Children's team. Adult services they would need to develop and equivalent group set up by stakeholders group.

Cllr. Morgan agrees transition period is the area for concern. Description of transition period by parents highlights this issue.

Stakeholders meeting – support group assumed that the money would be coming to front line services but Cllr. Morgan explained need to have specific worker.

The group is currently going through a process of identifying its role and understanding the role of the group. Cllr. Morgan keen to identify what we do to date so that we can send message to people that we are addressing ASD.

EJ commented that we need to be clear as to what we can achieve in 09/10 so that we know where we are with a clear plan and not raise expectations expectantly. HA need to get to position that all services acknowledge autistic children and they are supported mainstream. Cllr. Morgan noted that School staff and some GP's are not very sympathetic in acknowledging and recognising ASD. Plans for training

within context of professionals training programme. Parents have volunteered to speak to schools and health colleagues. Access & Inclusion have taken this up already.

Query in admin support for the work in plan. All in agreement for the recommendations with reports coming back from F&N group.

**Children's Measure**

Bid to be submitted Wednesday as a joint bid with NPT and BCBC with NPT being lead authority. Paper distributed to explain. Critically issue from WAG is that they have sign up from all organisations at senior level so requirement to have CYP partnership endorsement of preparing of the bid. Health, CSP and Chief Executive have endorsed preparation of the bid.

Health offered to host post (see LJ) if we become a pioneer but concerns over funding and requirement to maintain the funding after 3 yrs. From an NHS trust perspective feel it's about imbedding practice as opposed to lots of new people being employed.

Detail of the draft bid has been to Nurse Directors at LHB and Vicki Franklin has had a copy, Women & Children, Mental Health, Drugs and alcohol etc. all of which are spreading the message. Key issue is to ensure services all link in and prevent duplication and ensuring targeting of most needy as well as evaluation as a model. Happy to endorse and inform people,

Child poverty proposals, LJ recently had report and will circulate. Still proposed that statutory duty on LA to contribute to reduction in Child Poverty Action plan not identified what vehicle will be i.e. CYP.

**National Service Framework**

MJ noted that the LA submission of the NSF SAAT has taken place on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2009. Plan to arrange meeting with colleagues to discuss NSF future actions so that MJ can take comments to next regional NSF meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> July. Aim to have a structured meeting and information gathering system to ensure that we are ready to input data for 2009/10. National Reports required for next meeting.

	<p>Trust – have some reds flagged as areas of concern. EJ met with Carl V and has briefed Vicki Franklin. Concerns that LHB/Trust has to make a saving of 20% in the next 3 yrs but then hard to action NSF.</p> <p>Concerns over how merged health data will have an impact on data for NSF as each authority has varying issues.</p>	
<p><b>3. Integrated Working</b></p>	<p>This document has been developed as a result of the reorganisation of the directorate bringing together a number of directorates. Integration of directorate is still taking place, and acknowledging wider integration issues across LA and other statutory agencies.</p> <p>Paper aims to arrive at a common understanding of what is meant and implications of integrated working. Explore merits, challenges and issues around integrated working as well as real benefits to be gained. Require partnership to sign up to the document prior to submission to LSB. Also ensure that there is a formal sign up through Cabinet as strong implications for the Council as a whole. If this document is taken wider i.e. a Steering Group would need to be developed to ensure direction of the document. This would have to be decided by the Delivery board to take forward.</p> <p>HB needs clarity on what this means for the Voluntary Sector. The document does refer to the third sector but no assumptions are made that there would be any exclusions as this is not what integrated working is about.</p> <p>HA &amp; TG met Chairs of Governors of schools to gain perspectives on document. Need to circulate the document far &amp; wide and take comments and address way forward from here.</p> <p>LHB supportive of document but it is how we handle existing integrated teams to this new way of integrated working.</p>	
<p><b>4. Sub Group Reporting</b></p>	<p><b>Families &amp; Nurture</b> – June meeting was productive and well attended. Core attendance and reporting arrangements are helpful in structuring the meetings.</p>	

	<p>There has been allocation of tasks to various colleagues. There has been slow progress with Disabled Children's Strategy. Need to review CYP single plan priorities as it is out of date and we could be more ambitious for the next plan. Still concern that the group is viewed as being concerned with the early years not 0-25yrs.</p> <p><b>Learning &amp; Achievement</b> – Require a rep from the Secondary head rep and a YP reps. Work plan established through to early part of 2010. YSS Estyn Inspection was discussed and felt to be in hand. Angela Davies paper on Substance Misuse was discussed in relation to schools; L&amp;A group will be addressing how to implement the recommendations. Update at the meeting on Transformation on Post 16 in education.</p> <p>Looked at Basic skills actions, happy with progress 0-14 yrs on basic skills but post 14 – more so post 19yrs were of concern. Many initiatives but need to link the strands together which is challenging. Targeting disadvantaged groups effectively is an area of concern as to date its patchy. – Amber traffic Light</p> <p>Looked at early years – foundation report and noted that the training and guidance has been very well received in maintained and non-maintained sector. – Green traffic Light</p> <p><b>Social &amp; Physical Environment</b> - June meeting was positive and well attended. Reviewed work plan with lots of ambers and a few green traffic lights. Areas in next meeting to address are Play strategy, Accommodation and workforce development. Participation work was particular good and has been moving along in various settings. LJ has also addressed way forward with Advocacy services.</p> <p>Cycles of meetings are not effective in line with having info with CYP.</p>	
<p><b>5. Third Sector Involvement in CYPP</b></p>	<p>Paper distributed is in relation to a post that was discussed at a previous CYP meeting. Paper explained by HB in relation to what would be entailed within the post. Other LA have these posts and meet as a network across Wales.</p>	

	<p>BAVO has been extremely supportive in the CYP as have the voluntary sector services but this has relied upon access to funding streams that have recently changed.</p> <p>Huge opportunities are currently taking place for voluntary sector to take advantage of but are finding it hard without being able to be supported by BAVO. But capacity is an issue. Agreed at last Extending Entitlement funding meeting to set aside some funding to enable Voluntary sector to tender for services.</p> <p>Kath Durbin also has a small amount of funding in the 14-19 network to develop this area. All of which will enable a greater contribution of the third sector into the partnership.</p> <p>Between Extending Entitlement and 14-19 network can support funding for a focused post. If this is successful then there could be opportunities to access funding to enable self financing of the post long term.</p> <p>Partnership happy to endorse agreement currently in place. All happy to endorse.</p>	
<p><b>6. Bridgend Local Safeguarding Children Board</b></p>	<p>LH distributed a baseline report to meeting and will continue to do so at each meeting, ensuring that there is a link between work of the board and the CYP plan.</p> <p>BLSCB currently working their way through serious case reviews. Some work has been required to be re done as some areas of concern that are being addressed. End of July should have inspection feedback from a local and national perspective.</p> <p>Report in Vale case is being reviewed in relation to Bridgend. Aim to look at National Practice and check BCBC in relation to these cases.</p>	
<p><b>7. Learning Communities Strategy &amp; Cross Directorate Action Plan</b></p>	<p>This document is a result of need to understand what Learning Communities is about and what it aims to achieve. Clear links to CYPP plan and contributions of the Learning Communities team to the CYPP plan. This will be a Council Strategy but partnership is required to offer comment on it before it is taken any further through Council processes.</p>	

	<p>Third sector has not been involved in the document yet they are mentioned in various areas of the document and would prefer involvement from the outset in the development of all documentations.</p> <p>Noted that there has to be full engagement by parents and staff in schools and is required to ensure that the strategy works. Critical area that schools in the policy document are asked to commit to the principles set out specifically for schools. Document needs to identify areas of good practice and link to Investors in Families. Therefore the scope of the team is important.</p> <p>Noted that in the voluntary sector the word 'Learning' is a barrier in itself so need to be conscious of these barriers. Community focused schools title was felt to be too narrow and that it was a two way process. Understand that this word Learning is a barrier but not felt realistic to not use the word when focusing on schools.</p> <p>Suggested that case studies are incorporated in the document and brought to the next meeting.</p> <p>Comments to be fed back to TG.</p>	<b><u>ALL</u></b>
<b>8. Any other business</b>	No items for discussion	
<b>9. Date of next meeting</b>	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> August 2009 at 2.00pm, Newbridge Room, Sunnyside	