

# Minute of Meeting Children & Young People Thematic Board

Date	Time	Venue
Tuesday 24 February, 2015	13:00	Corporate Meeting Room 1,Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

#### PRESENT

Councillors J Henry and D Bibby (both Renfrewshire Council); P Nelis (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service); L O'Brien (Barnardos); S Graham (Engage); J Melrose (Renfrewshire's Children Panel); I Millar (Skills Development Scotland); P MacLeod, R Naylor, D Hawthorn, J Trainer (all Renfrewshire Council).

#### CHAIR

Councillor Henry.

# IN ATTENDANCE

N Mathers (Save the Children); A Burns (CHP); P Capaldi (Police Scotland); A Row (Glasgow University); Y Farquhar, C MacDonald and D Houston (all Renfrewshire Council).

# APOLOGIES

Councillor E McCartin (Renfrewshire Council); G McKinlay; S Bell; and S Glasgow (all Renfrewshire Council); L King (SCRA); F MacKay (CHP); D Leese (Renfrewshire Health and Social Care Partnership); and A Dick (West College Scotland).

## 1 MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

There was submitted the Minute of the Children and Young People Thematic Board held on 15 December, 2014.

Under reference to persons present at the meeting it was agreed that the minute would be corrected to acknowledge the attendance of P Nelis, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

**<u>DECIDED</u>**: That the minute otherwise be approved.

## 2 ROLLING ACTION LOG

#### CAYP.26.03.13(2) and CAYP.21.05.13(4) – Engagement with Young People

It was noted that due to school exams in May the engagement exercise would take place at the meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2015 at Gleniffer High School.

#### DECIDED:

- (a) That the visit to a Gleniffer High School to engage with young people, local community groups and 3<sup>rd</sup> sector organisations take place on 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2015; and
- (b) That the action log be noted.

# 3 STV/HUNTER PARTNERSHIP – SAVE THE CHILDREN'S STRONGER COMMUNITIES PROGRAMME

N Mathers and A Row gave a presentation which outlined that the Stronger Communities Programme was a new approach to try and tackle child poverty and improve the life chances of children growing up in poverty. It was a community-based partnership which was based on a deep analysis of the local area building on assets within the community and capturing evidence of what worked. It was anticipated that the programme would develop its own approach and build on existing provision and partnerships. The Board were advised that the programme would be based in Glenburn, Paisley and also Muirton in Perth. The presentation also outlined the areas of activity; the aims of the evaluation; methods to be used; how the research findings would be used; and the next steps that would be taken.

The information presented proposed that there would be an opportunity to bring the Glenburn and Muirton programmes together at a later date to share learning and experiences. P MacLeod intimated that he would be happy to host this event and it was agreed that this would be taken forward by Children's Services.

Data gathering and key contacts were discussed and it was agreed that all relevant data and point of contact information would be passed to N Mathers.

#### DECIDED:

- (a) That Children's Services staff in conjunction with the Stronger Communities Programme organise a meeting of the Glenburn and Muirton programmes at a later date;
- (b) That relevant data and point of contact information be passed to the Project Manager; and
- (c) That the presentation be noted.

#### 4 FAMILY NURSE PARTNERSHIP (FNP) AND HEALTHY CHILDREN'S PROGRAMME

There was submitted a report by Renfrewshire CHP relative to the progress of the FNP in Renfrewshire, East Renfrewshire and Inverceyde which was hosted in Renfrewshire CHP.

The report also provided an update on the Healthy Children's Programme which aimed to improve child health and wellbeing and reduce inequalities in health through the redesign of work and services.

A Burns gave a presentation on the FNP which outlined that it was a preventive programme through pregnancy until the child was aged two years. It was a structured, intensive home visiting programme delivered by family nurses and based on theories of human ecology, self efficacy and attachment. The presentation outlined the eligibility criteria; the goals of the FNP; appraised the evidence; looked at key elements of the programme; and the progress to date.

**DECIDED**: That the report and presentation be noted.

## 5 **RENFREWSHIRE SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENT AND YEAR 1 PROGRESS**

There was submitted a report by the Director of Children's Services relative to the revisions on the impact measures detailed in the Year 1 report.

The report intimated that since the development and publication of the Community Plan and Single Outcome Agreement a number of changes had been made to how data was collected /measured. This meant that the targets now required to be revised based on new baseline data. Following the presentation of the Year 1 progress report at the Community Planning Partnership Board on 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2015, it was agreed that an interim progress report be prepared for the Community Planning Partnership Board in June 2015 on those impact measures which were identified as being 10% or more outwith target (red alert).

#### DECIDED:

- (a) That the revisions to the Single Outcome Agreement as detailed within the report be agreed; and
- (b) That an interim progress report be prepared for consideration by the Community Planning Partnership Board in June 2015.

#### 6 INTEGRATED CHILDREN'S SERVICES IMPROVEMENT PLAN – OUTCOME 1 PROGRESS REPORT

There was submitted a report by the Director of Children's Services relative to a progress report for Outcome 1 of the Integrated Children's Services Improvement plan. The report detailed key areas of progress being made against Outcome 1 'Our children and young people have the best start in life – are ready to learn, supported to achieve and are ambitious throughout and beyond their school lives' and Appendix 1 detailed a copy of the progress report.

**DECIDED**: That the report be noted.

#### 7 JOINT INSPECTION OF SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

There was submitted a report by the Director of Children's Services relative to the progress of the joint inspection of the provision of services to children and young people in the Renfrewshire Community Planning Partnership area.

The report advised that the inspection was conducted over 13 days between Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January and Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2015. It was noted that inspection findings would be discussed on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2015 with Chief Officers and nominated Community Planning partners and following the joint inspection Scottish Ministers would report on how well services were working together to improve the lives of children and young people. Inspectors would also prepare and provide a written detailed account of inspection findings to the Community Planning Partnership Board and chief officers group at the conclusion of the inspection.

# DECIDED:

- (a) That the content of the report be noted; and
- (b) That a report would be submitted to a future Board on the findings of Inspection.

# 8 EDUCATION OUTCOMES AND DESTINATIONS FOR LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN

There was submitted a report by the Director of Children's Services relative to education outcomes and destinations for looked after children. The report provided an opportunity for partners to understand the present performance for looked after school leavers and explore options to assist in improving the position for looked after school leavers in the future.

# DECIDED:

- (a) That this report be submitted to the Board on an annual basis; and
- (b) That the report be noted.

#### 9 CONSULTATION ON DRAFT STATUTORY GUIDANCE FOR THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2014

There was submitted a report by the Director of Children's Services relative to the consultation on draft statutory guidance for the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014. The report advised that the Act had extended the concept of Corporate Parenting across a wide sector of public agencies. The issue of how the partnership discharged its corporate parenting responsibilities was being considered as part of the Joint Inspection process. Appendix 1 provided a position statement which had been submitted to the Care Inspectorate.

The report highlighted the consultation on the draft Statutory Guidance for Part 9 (Corporate Parenting) of the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 and the consultation on the draft Statutory Guidance for Parts 4, 5 and 18 (Section 96) of the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014. Members were asked to explore how the draft Statutory Guidance would influence their approach to Corporate Parenting responsibilities on a partnership basis in Renfrewshire and the approach to the named person, single child's plan and the wellbeing of children locally.

**DECIDED**: That the report be noted.