

## Minute of Meeting

### Children & Young People Thematic Board

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 10 November 2016	09:30	Tweedie Hall, Ardlamont Square, Linwood, PA3 3DE

#### PRESENT

Councillors Henry, Bibby and McCartin (all Renfrewshire Council); L O'Brien, Barnardos; N Burns, Police Scotland; M Ferguson, Renfrewshire Health & Social Care Partnership; A Lowe, Renfrewshire Child Protection Committee; J Melrose, Area Support Team; L King, Scottish Children's Reporter Administration; P MacLeod, D Hawthorn, G McKinlay, J Trainer, S Glasgow, and Y Farquhar (all Renfrewshire Council); and M Dunn, University of the West of Scotland.

#### CHAIR

Councillor J Henry, Chair, presided.

#### IN ATTENDANCE

A Burns, Renfrewshire Health & Social Care Partnership; N Davidson, C MacDonald and D McAllion (all Renfrewshire Council); J Divers, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; and D Ford and J McTaggart (both Who Cares? Scotland).

#### APOLOGIES

R Ritchie, Children 1st; F MacKay, Renfrewshire Health & Social Care Partnership; M Gallacher, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; M Gilligan, Skills Development Scotland; and S Graham, West College Scotland.

#### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest intimated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

1 **MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Children & Young People Thematic Board held on 1 September 2016.

**DECIDED:** That the Minute be approved.

2 **ROLLING ACTION LOG**

The Rolling Action Log was submitted for approval.

**DECIDED:** That the Rolling Action Log be approved.

3 **FAMILY NURSE PARTNERSHIP**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Health & Social Care Services (West Renfrewshire), Renfrewshire Health & Social Care Partnership relative to an update on the progress of the Family Nurse Partnership (East Renfrewshire and Inverclyde) (FNP).

The report outlined the data gathered to date in relation to specific core model elements and fidelity goals and provided information on FNP going forward across NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde (NHSGGC) and to what extent FNP was embedded within the local authority area.

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

4 **SCOTTISH INDEX OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION**

The Data Analytics & Research Manager, Chief Executive's Service, Renfrewshire Council, gave a presentation relative to an overview of the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD).

The presentation gave a brief overview of the main points; drew attention to the Data Zones within the application; outlined the areas of deprivation within Renfrewshire; highlighted the areas of education and health deprivation; and outlined the next steps.

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

5 **CORPORATE PARENTING - PART 9, CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2014**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Early Learning and Inclusion relevant to an update on Corporate Parenting.

The report outlined the Corporate Parenting duties under Part 9 of the Act and set out the corporate parenting responsibilities which extended to all looked after children from birth to when they ceased to be looked after. The public bodies to which Corporate Parenting responsibilities applied were highlighted in Appendix 1 of the report. The Corporate Parenting Plan was also summarised and the report detailed the responsibilities which were set out in the Act. The report also outlined the Corporate Parenting Plan, the reporting procedure and the procedure for complaints and disputes.

Renfrewshire's Champions Board was highlighted as a forum for care experienced young people which enabled them to meet with and express their views to their Corporate Parents and influence policy and practice for other looked after young people.

D Ford and J McTaggart from Who Cares? Scotland spoke to the Board and gave a brief overview of their organisation; the services they provided; how their services integrated with the Council and the Community Planning Partners; and gave a brief overview of the Communities that Care project.

The report indicated that partners in Renfrewshire were committed to closing the attainment gap between our most able and most vulnerable students and as a result a working group on "Improving Education Outcomes for Looked After Children" had been set up and chaired by the Head of Early Years and Inclusion. The focus of the group was to identify and share best practice across establishments in Renfrewshire. The working group had representatives from establishments in Renfrewshire, Children's Services, Development and Housing, West College Scotland, the University of the West of Scotland and the Centre for Excellence for Looked After Children in Scotland.

It was noted that Appendix 2 of the report related to the Care Leavers Covenant and contained information on the progress of the partners in delivering the commitments contained within the Covenant and the areas where further progress was required. The delivery against the Covenant commitments were monitored on a regular basis and further reports on progress and areas for development would be brought to a future meeting.

**DECIDED:**

- (a) That the Duties under part 9 of the Act be noted;
- (b) That the work that had been undertaken to meet the responsibilities in Renfrewshire be noted; and
- (c) That it be noted that the Corporate Parenting Plan would be brought to a future meeting of the Board.