

**Children's Services Strategic and Planning Partnership (CSSaPP)
10:00 to 11:30 am, Tuesday 08 February 2022, MS Teams**

MINUTE

Present:

Jim Brown – Chief Education Officer/Head of Education: Quality and Curriculum (Chair)
 Mark Hollis - T/Superintendent Operations, Police Scotland
 Stephen Morgan – Senior Manager, Children and Families Social Work (Chair, Corporate Parenting Group)
 Darren Little – Children's Services Manager
 Hamish McGhie – Independent Chair, Public Protection Committee
 Jane McMillan (JM), Planning & Communications Officer
 Laura Gibson – Health and Wellbeing Specialist
 Kim Black – Nurse Consultant Public Protection
 Louise Cumbley (LC2) - Consultant Clinical Psychologist (Chair, Mental Health Strategy Group)
 Lillian Cringles (LC1) – CSWO/Head of Children, Families and Criminal Justice Services
 Stephen Jack – Lifelong Learning Manager (Chair, CLD Strategic Partnership)
 Sarah McGarva – Locality Social Work Manager
 Fiona Paton – Nursing and AHP Lead
 Mark Kelly – Interim Nurse Director

Apologies

Ann McShane – Interim Team Leader, Lifelong Learning (Co-Chair, Parenting Group)
 Linda Williamson - General Manager, Women and Children's Health Services
 Gillian Brydson – Director Skills, Education and Learning
 Alice Wilson – Nurse Director
 Angie Adams – Clinical Midwifery Manager
 Norma Austin-Hart - Chief Executive, Third Sector Dumfries and Galloway
 Lindsay Abrines – Locality Reporter Manager

Agenda item	Action
1. Welcome and Apologies Lyndsay Fraser Robertson from Children In Scotland; and Iain MacDonald from Children's Hearings Scotland were welcomed to the meeting.	
2. Children in Scotland: Presentation Lyndsay Fraser Robertson presented an overview of a self-evaluation tool on How Good is Our Third Sector's Participation in Children's Services Planning. The presentation was welcomed by the group and generated a discussion on the role and wider involvement of Third Sector organisations within Dumfries and Galloway. Action, JB and DL to discuss how the tool could be used as part of our development of the new plan and arrangements	JB, DL
3. Minute of December meeting, and matters arising	

	The minute was agreed as an accurate record. All actions had been completed.	
4.	<p>Children’s Hearings Scotland</p> <p>Iain MacDonald attended to introduce himself and his role, having taken up a new role with Children’s Hearings Scotland. The group welcomed Iain’s input, and agreed to explore ways of building a strong relationship with CHS going forward – including for example, joint work on training and communications. SM advised that Iain was already invited to regular meetings with Social Work Services.</p>	
5.	<p>10 Steps to successful children’s services planning</p> <p>DL provided an update on the current position, with specific reference to the steps below, which had just been discussed at the earlier CSSaPP Executive Group meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strategic Needs Assessment - Year 2 reporting - Steps 3, 4 and 5. <p>The group discussed financial/resource mapping. FP advised that there had been a number of personnel changes within Health, and that she would identify with Linda Williamson the most appropriate individuals to approach for information.</p> <p>DL advised the Strategic Chairs of the proposed reporting approach for Year 2 of the CS Plan, and that the findings of engagement activity with children and young people would be central to our reporting approach. Strategic Chairs were advised of the need to identify a single Reporting Lead, and that this role could be allocated to any suitable member of staff.</p>	
6.	<p>Priority Lead and Service Updates</p> <p>Priority 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HM advised that the Rape Prevention Worker was now working in more secondary schools. • A Public Protection week was about to take place • A Child Protection National Guidance Implementation Group had been formed and was making good progress • A Public Protection performance framework would be developed. • Training opportunities had been developed and made available, and these were well received. <p>Priority 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SM advised the group about the Bright Spots programme, of which D&G was a pilot in Scotland. All trusted adults had been identified and were already speaking to children and young people. • LC advised that she would be happy to link with Iain MacDonald on shared training opportunities. <p>Priority 3</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LG advised that the 2020/21 Child Poverty Action Report had been completed and published. • Work was now underway to look at the whole process of experiencing poverty from a family perspective. • A draft Action Plan would be produced by the end of March, with completion of the next report expected by the end of June. <p>Priority 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JM advised that recruitment to several of the funded mental health posts had taken place, and other posts were out to recruitment. • Some mental health-related issues had been raised through other strategic groups – so these would be fed back to Mental Health Strategy Group. <p>Priority 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FP advised that she would work with DL on reporting, and undertake a handover with the interim Chair (Integration Manager). • JB offered to meet with FP to provide more information on the Disability Strategy Group, and the role of Chair. <p>Priority 6:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SM was in the process of taking on the co-chair role, and a meeting was due to take place about this, to be followed by a group meeting later in February. <p>JB advised Strategic Chairs about the reporting to CSSaPP Executive, and for the Year 2 annual report, and reminded Chairs of the need for SMART plans with measurable targets.</p>	
7.	<p>Children and young people’s Outcome Framework</p> <p>JM advised the group that feedback [from CSSaPP Executive] on the proposed outcome framework and core indicators had already been submitted to the Scottish Government; however there was an opportunity within the next week to share further feedback before deadline of 16 February – Action JM to send out questions.</p>	
8.	<p>UNCRC</p> <p>DL advised the group of Scottish Government intention to proceed with UNCRC legislation as soon as possible and that preparation for this should continue. Embedding Rights in Public Services Innovation Funding is to become available to apply for soon which could be used to support this work. DL advised that preparations for Elected Member/Council Officer Working Group, to involve Youth Council and NHS Officers, on rights were ongoing, with the group likely to meet following Council Elections in May.</p>	
9.	<p>Date of next meeting</p>	

	Tuesday 19 April, 10-11.30 am	
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