

Canterbury Coastal Local Children's Services Partnership Board Meeting

MINUTES

Meeting held on Thursday 5 March 2009 at Clover House, Whitstable

Present:

Jean Mosley (JM)..... Partnership Manager
 Stephen Fitzgerald (SF) Social Services - Chair
 Steve Charman (SC)..... Extended Services
 Gordon Etheridge (GE) Police
 Sue Evans (SE) Education
 Caroline Friday (CF)..... Locality Commissioning Manager, Health
 Ann Furminger (AF) Connexions
 Susan Gough (SG) Health
 Alison Osborne (AO)..... KCC
 Claire Owen (CO) Education
 Jonathan Sexton (JS)..... Health
 Sari Sirkia-Weaver (SS)..... Voluntary Sector
 Helena Sullivan-Tighe (HS)..... Education
 Suzi Wakeham (SW)..... CCC – Vice Chair
 Barry Weeks (BW) Youth Offending Service

Apologies:

Pip Hazelton (PH) Social Services
 Liz Leaman (LL) Education
 Jim Winters (JW) Youth Services

Minutes:

Caron Swan (CS).....PA to Jean Mosley

Visitors:

Stephanie Mayes Parent Voice Co-ordinator

Meeting commenced at 9:35am

<p>Stephen welcomed everyone on the Board and thanked them all for attending. It was decided that Stephanie would be moved up the agenda and speak to the group first.</p> <p>3. Stephanie Mayes:</p> <p>Stephanie introduced herself to the group and gave a brief outline of what her role as Parent Voice Co-ordinator (PVC) involves. A copy of the first PVC newsletter was distributed to the group.</p> <p>A working group is to be set up with Stephen, Sari and Suzi. YOS and Health to give names to take part in mapping all parenting support groups in the area.</p>	<p>SF/SS/</p>
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term 'progress made' instead of 'outcomes already delivered' and 'progress planned for next 6 months' would replace 'outcomes planned for next 6 months'.

Priority 2 Claire Owen

The main focus on increasing numbers of children involved in Vocational Provision. First Diploma will be live in September. The barriers for this priority is cost of travel between sites, they are currently looking for a solution.

It was noted that both CCW and HBH are currently part of the BSF Building Programme and this is very time consuming.

Priority 3 Jim Winters – Did not attend the meeting.

Priority 4 Sari Sirkia-Weaver (handout attached **)

Sari distributed to the group her priority feedback sheet and discussed it with the group. Steve Charman gave the group information on Elephant Kiosks. These are ideal for signposting services. There will be five for each partnership. A demonstration kiosk will be at the Early Years Conference.

32 Quizdom portable handsets have been bought for the Coastal LCSP.

It was noted that this priority needs to access hard to reach parents not parents who already engage.

Priority 5 Barry Weeks

Barry updated the group on his priorities. Barry stated he would update his sheet and distribute at a later date. Any sheets that need updating must be re-distributed by Easter.

BW

Priority 6 Steve Charman (handout attached)

Alongside his feedback sheet Steve distributed an excel spreadsheet giving details of services in the area. The group decided this is an excellent resource.

The list of services is to be put on the Partnership website, the group to inform Steve of any services that they know of that are not on the list.

CS/All

Also given to the group a draft leaflet from the Parent Support Advisers. A copy will be issued with the minutes.

Priority 7 Jean Mosley (handout attached)

Jean distributed and discussed this priority with the group.

It was suggested Children's Centres were added to the next agenda to discuss projects. It was requested those projects could be put into an excel spreadsheet.

It was suggested that the LCSP could use this opportunity to track pupils who access the Children's Centre Services and monitor what impact this has had on them. Asking this question at the Start of School Interview could provide the answer. This was discussed at length but it was decided that now is not the right time within the Partnership for such an undertaking.

<p>Priority 8 Helena Sullivan-Tighe</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neets strategy group has met. • They now have a Timetabling blue print for vocational subjects • Functional schools trials are taking place at Simon Langton Boys School. • Funding is a major issue. <p>Priority 9 Caroline Friday (handout attached **) Caroline distributed feedback sheets to the Board. Caroline stated that giving feedback is not straight forward; she needs the feedback to be meaningful. It was suggested that a traffic light system could make it more effective and a more accurate assessment of what is going on. Lengthy discussion followed.</p> <p>Stephen asked the group if they wanted to have a ten minute discussion at the end of this agenda item to decide what to do next. The group agreed.</p> <p>Priority 11 Gordon Etheridge (handout attached **) Gordon briefed the group on his progress.</p> <p>Priority 12 Stephen Fitzgerald (handout attached) Stephen gave the group a copy of his feedback sheet.</p> <p>Stephen wanted it noted that CSS realignment is going ahead, they will work to one large geographical team. This will mean significant changes to CSS Canterbury District. If anyone has any problems please report them to Stephen.</p> <p>“What do we do differently”, after lengthy discussion it was decided it is too much for one meeting and an LCSP Board Team Day would be a good opportunity to review the CYPP. A facilitator is to be approached to attend the day.</p>	SF
<p>4. Feedback on Budget:</p> <p>Jean distributed to the group a breakdown of the Budget and how last year’s money had been spend during the past 12 months.</p>	
<p>5. Early Years:</p> <p>Sue Evans gave the group a list of new Early Years Projects in the area. (attached **)</p> <p>School Nurse and Health Visitor connection is a lot better now. Susan stated that their service has been realigned to help with closer working, their biggest problem is staffing, they are very small in numbers compared to schools.</p>	
<p>6. Youth Engagement Model:</p> <p>Suzi had prepared a summary of the Youth Engagement Model for the Board which was distributed and discussed. The date of the initial meeting is to be changed Suzi to send details via email.</p> <p>The Board agreed to adopt this proposal. (handout attached **)</p>	SW

<p>7. Young Carers Pilot:</p> <p>This has been started.</p>	
<p>8. Items for Future Agendas:</p> <p>No items for discussion.</p>	
<p>9. Any Other Business:</p> <p>No items for discussion.</p>	
<p>Before the next meeting: Stephen to set up a working party to map parenting support groups in the area. YOS and Health to provide the names of representatives to attend mapping exercise working party meeting. Stephen to invite a facilitator to the LCSP Team Day Suzi to send new date for initial Youth Engagement Group meeting.</p>	<p>SF BW/SG</p> <p>SF SW</p>
<p>For the next meeting: Suzi to get copies of "how to talk to young people" reproduced.</p>	<p>SW</p>
<p>Next meeting to take place on 7th May 2009 9.30am – 12.30pm to be held at Clover House Whitstable.</p>	
<p>Meeting closed at 1.05pm</p>	
<p>Attached: Supporting Parents in the Canterbury District Canterbury Coastal Performance Report against Kent CYPP (attached). This was distributed at the meeting. ** attachment to follow at a later date.</p>	