



Children's Trust Board

(A themed group of Darlington Partnership)

Minutes of the meeting of the Children's Trust Board held on 15th Jan 2010, 9.30am, Darlington Town Hall

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| Miriam Davidson (Chair) | Director of Public Health, Darlington PCT |
| Gill Walker | Darlington Borough Council |
| Tim Fisher | Principal, QE 6 th Form College |
| Michael Barton | Deputy Chief Constable Durham Constabulary |
| Debbie Bunford | Divisional Manager, Darlington PCT |
| Cllr Cyndi Hughes | Lead Member Children & Young People |
| Karen Grundy | Executive Director, eVOLution |
| Paul Richardson | Partnership Manager, LSC |
| Melanie Brown | Children's Trust Partnership Manager |
| Trevor Mortlock | Job Centre Plus |
| Mark Cain | Children's Services Locality Lead, Darlington PCT |
| Julian Kenshole | Darlington Borough Council |
| Seth Pearson | Local Strategic Partnership Director |
| Mervyn Bell | Integrated Service Manager, DBC |
| Anita Hamer | Development and Commissioning Manager for 12-19 |
| Lorrae Rose | Joint Commissioning Manager (CAMHS) |
| George McQueen | BSF Director, Darlington Borough Council |
| Kathryn Bramley | Durham Police Authority member |
| Debbie Leigh | Darlington college |
| Kevin Duffy | Education Village |
| Charlotte Linton (Minutes) | eVOLution, CYP partnership officer |

1 Welcome and Apologies

Miriam Davidson welcomed members to the meeting. Apologies were received from:

Ada Burns, Darlington Borough Council
Jenni Cooke, Darlington Borough Council
Joanne Evans, PBC Cluster Manager, Darlington
Anthony Prudhoe, CAMHS, Maternity & Children & Young People
Chris Davis, Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Trust
Lucy Wheatley, Joint Commissioner Child Health, Darlington PCT
Dela Smith, Education Director, Education Village
Bob Mellard, Dodmire School
Nick Blackburn, Heathfield Primary School
Tim Grant, Darlington College
Pauline Mitchell, Darlington Borough Council
Pat Armstrong, Branksome Science College
Wade Tovey, University of Teesside
Mike Fryer, Chair, DAG

2 Minutes of the Children's Trust Board meeting held on 27th November 2009

The minutes were approved and adopted by the Children's Trust Board.

3 Matters Arising

Gill updated the Board that the branding of the early intervention and prevention services was in progress.

Mel updated the Board that communications group will be meeting on the 19th of January. The board was also updated that the locality profiles were published on the children's trust website.

4 Urgent Business to be considered under Item 23

No urgent matters were raised.

5 Unicef Breastfeeding Friendliness Award – Debbie Bunford/Miriam Davidson

Debbie Bunford presented to the group a presentation on the UNICEF UK Baby Friendly Initiative. The presentation illustrated the advantages of breast feeding to both the mother and the baby. The board was informed that Darlington's breast feeding rates were lower than the national average. It was discussed what partners could do to support this, the board was informed that there is a funding issue regarding breast feeding coordinator and that discussion is needed on this outside of the group. Partners were asked to view the attitude of breast feeding in their own organisations and look at facilities they have for breast feeding. Anita suggested that breast feeding should be on curriculums in schools, it was agreed that breast feeding should be dripped through primary schools curriculums.

ACTIONS:

- Mark Cain will progress a meeting to discuss the funding of the Health Visitor Breastfeeding Co-ordinator
- Karen will look at working with intergenerational groups to change attitudes on breast feeding which will then be passed down to their younger generations.
- An article about Breastfeeding will be featured in March Partner newsletter.

6 CAF/ContactPoint –Ann Lovegreen/Anita Hamer

Anita updated the Board about progress CAF and ContactPoint and informed the board that training of practitioners had started around ContactPoint. Mel commended the CAF support group on the recent ofsted visit as the HMI Inspector had been very impressed. Mel asked if there were any issues the Children's Trust Board needed to support the CAF/ContactPoint group with. Anita updated the board that there is poor membership of the CAF and Contact Point task and finishing group, and partners were asked to ensure representation of their organisations to this group. Anita also updated the board that due to issues around capacity for Durham County Council, NHS County Durham had suspended ContactPoint development and Anita raised this may impact on Darlington. Anita highlighted that as Durham County Council led on both Durham Constabulary and TEWV ContactPoint development this may also impact on Darlington's arrangements. Mark Cain informed the Board he had already had discussions with Mark Walsh and Gillian Pringle and Mark was confident that Darlington delivery will be supported. Miriam suggested that if this was not the case both Miriam and Mark would escalate this if required. Mark has invited Mark Walsh, IMT Commissioner Lead to meet with Darlington ContactPoint Steering Group to discuss this further.

ACTION: All Partners to send representation to CAF/ContactPoint Task and Finish group.

7 Building Schools Future- George McQueen

George presented to the board an update about Building Schools for the Future. Darlington has now been brought forward to Wave 7. George informed the Board that this equated to approximately a £50 million investment into Darlington. It was agreed that community impact was vital and the schools must be available to the wider community. George reported that this would support both the Aspiring and Prosperous theme groups. Lorrae Rose asked to be involved in the Hurworth School development due to the links with the autism unit within the school. Mel asked George if Children's Trust Partners could support the BSF project and George requested that if any partners are invited to attend BSF meetings please could they do so.

8 a. Annual Rating of Council Children's Services- Julain Kenshole

Julian notified the Board of the changes to how the assessment is carried out as there are no longer interviews with partners this is now based on inspections of services such as schools. Julian informed the Board that Darlington scored 3 out of a possible 4 which is marked as 'performing well'. Areas which were outlined for development were already known and work on these issues had already started. Mel informed the Board that these issues would also be picked up in this year's CYPP review.

b. Outcome of Comprehensive Area Assessment- Seth Pearson

Seth took the Board through the report that had already been circulated. Seth also updated to the Board that the final report of the CAA has now been published electronically on the CAA website.

9 a. CAMHS/ Emotional Health and well being Update- Lorrae Rose

Lorrae Rose thanked the board for inviting her to the meeting. Lorrae took the Board through the previously circulated report on CAMHS Commissioning Intentions. Gill/ Mark asked for an update about CAMHS input to the integrated teams. Lorrae informed the Board that 8 posts for primary mental health workers will be appointed shortly and all of these workers will be based within integrated teams, and furthermore consultants are also prepared to work within the integrated teams. Lorrae also updated that the TAMHS project in Darlington was going well.

b. Accessing CAMHS YOS Protocol- Lorre Rose

Lorrae took the Board through the previously circulated report. Michael Barton asked what the peak times are for the 24/7 service. Lorrae informed that this was usually during school holidays and over the Christmas period because this was when their normal routine was disturbed.

10 Youth Crime Action Report-Mervyn Bell

Mervyn updated the Board on the youth crime action report. The report showed that Darlington were on par with other Y cap areas. It was presented to the Board that the response young people provide about having nothing to do on a Friday and Saturday nights isn't the case as there is a wide range of activities delivered. DCC Barton asked how events and activities are advertised to the children and young people. Mervyn explained that these are advertised on the click website and flyers have been distributed to partners. It is being investigated at how to advertise on social networking sites, but internet safety issues need to be taken into consideration. Mervyn emphasized that harnessing word of mouth promotion

was also key and that Children and Young People will text each other to encourage their friends to join them at activities.

Mervyn highlighted that the challenge for the Commissioning group is that there are looking for resources to mainstream this activity once the funding had expired.

11 National Support Team Visits-Miriam Davidson

Miriam thanked partners for their support during the visit, and explained that it was not just an NHS issue as it crossed all the thematic groups of the LSP. Miriam explained that theme 8 was specific to work with children, young people and families and that an action plan had been implemented following the visit and the Alcohol Strategy Implementation Group were monitoring the progress of this action plan.

12 Internet Safety- Councillor Hughes/Seth Pearson

Councillor Hughes took the board through the final report on internet safety. It was agreed that this was not just a school issue; families need to be involved as the majority of internet access is carried out at home and a community approach is needed. The task and finish group had made 9 recommendations that needed to be implemented around internet safety. Councillor Hughes also circulated a card with 'Ashleigh's Rules' rules on which are designed to help keep children and young people safe whilst using the internet. Darlington College students had developed these cards and these would be circulated to all schools and young people within Darlington. It was agreed that parents needed support with updating their technology skills in order to monitor their child's internet use.

Seth gave thanks to partners who helped with the delivery of the internet safety event, and Seth will arrange a debrief session. Miriam asked if this debriefing group was the same as the group driving forward the 9 recommendations. Seth explained it wasn't but he would make links with this group through Cllr Hughes.

ACTION: Seth and Cllr Hughes will meet to strengthen the links between the two groups discussed above.

13 Feedback from Executive Group

The Board noted the contents of the minutes.

14 Feedback from Joint Commissioning Unit

The Board noted the contents of the minutes.

15 14-19 Partnership Update

The Board noted the contents of the minutes.

16 Feedback from Provider Forum

The Board noted the contents of the minutes.

17 Children's Trust Conference

The Board noted the contents of the paper.

18 Third Sector Update

The Board noted the contents of the paper.

19 Joint Strategic Needs Assessment

The Board noted the contents of the paper.

20 Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act

The Board noted the contents of the paper.

21 Children's Trust Work Programme

The Board noted the contents of the paper.

22 Children's Trust DCSF Ofsted Aspects Visits

The Board noted the contents of the papers.

23 Urgent Business Raised Under Item 4

No urgent items were raised but Miriam invited Mel to update the Board about the Guardian publication each Board member had been provided a copy of. Mel explained that Darlington had been featured within this publication for work not only on Safer School Partnership but also on the front page for the Teen Card that the Youth Service had championed.

Dates of Future Meetings

Friday, 19th March 2010, 9.30am, Committee Room 1, Darlington Town Hall

Friday, 21st May 2010, 9.30am, Committee Room 1, Darlington Town Hall

Friday, 16th July 2010, 9.30am, Committee Room 1, Darlington Town Hall

Friday, 17th September 2010, 9.30am, Committee Room 1, Darlington Town Hall

Friday, 19th November 2010, 9.30am, Committee Room 1, Darlington Town Hall