

Children's Trust Board

(A themed group of Darlington Partnership)

Minutes of the meeting of the Children's Trust Board held on 20th May 2011, 9.30am, Darlington Town Hall

Cllr Cyndi Hughes	Lead Member, Children's Services
Melanie Brown	Darlington Children's Trust
Paul Richardson	14-19 Partnership Manager
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Seth Pearson	Local Strategic Partnership
Maura Banim	Teesside University
Tim Grant	Darlington College
Karen Grundy	Evolution
Lynne Hunter	Carmel School
Neil Walker	Job Centre Plus
Chris Sivers	Darlington Borough Council

In attendance;

Charlotte Linton (Minutes)

Odette Sanderson

Martin Webster

Evolution

LSCB

Darlington Borough Council

1 Welcome and Apologies

Cllr Hughes welcomed members to the meeting.

Apologies were received from;

Ada Burns, Darlington Borough Council

Miriam Davidson, Director of Public Health, Darlington PCT

Tim Fisher, Principal, QE 6th Form College

Michael Barton, Deputy Chief Constable Durham Constabulary

Murray Rose, Director, Children's Services, DBC

Bob Mellard, Primary Schools

Minuets from previous meeting

The announced inspection has still not taken place.

The Minuets were agreed

2 Young Inspectors Programme

YMCA gave a presentation on the Young Inspectors Programme. The inspectors earned money per inspection but are now looking at keeping the programme running as a volunteer programme.

It has been to the JCU and due to the success of the programme it has been agreed to be funded for a further two years.

YMCA will work with the youth service to recruit for the second phase of the project as the applicants must fit the criteria.

Mel will circulate the criteria when the recruitment will start and YMCA can visit schools to present the programme to them.

The programme is looking at peer mentoring training of the old inspectors to help support the new inspectors.

3 Healthy Youth Work Standards

Martin Webster gave a presentation to the Board on the Healthy Youth Work Standards.

Martin explained that a colleague from health approached him as Durham had Healthy Youth Standards however it was decided that Darlington would come up with their own localised version.

It was piloted last year with Branksome Youth Club, but this is not a standard just for youth work it is for all children and young people settings.

The next phase of the pilot will include, Branksome, DAD, the box and First Stop. Other groups can still take part in this stage and receive support.

The tool is designed as a supportive tool, a plan, do and review structure and a health improvement specialist will be linked to your project. There will not be much costing to this as it will not be too dissimilar to the programmes already running it is just evidencing it. Young people have been involved all the way through this piece of work. It will be a live document.

The Board agreed the progress of this work.

4 Children and Young Peoples Update re CYPP 2011-2014

Martin Webster and Charlotte Linton gave a presentation on the Young People version of the CYPP.

The young people version of the CYPP will be printed into a 4 page summary. The plan will be called The Darlington Blueprint 'Our Generation, Our Future, Our Plan'. The summary was designed and named by the young people.

The young people said the best way to communicate the CYPP to young people is via Facebook. The second most popular way the young people said to communicate to them is face to face by doing presentations in schools.

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In response to the young people a Facebook page will be set up for the young people to comment and continue their involvement. A road show around schools and other youth settings will also take part in September to inform young people of the 'Darlington Blueprint'.

A DVD was shown that the young people had filmed for the CYPP.

The Board agree to the title and vision statement - 'The Blueprint – Our Generation, Our Future, Our Plan', the development of the Facebook fan page, and to the development of a CYPP Road Show that will be delivered 2011/12

5 Draft CYPP 2011-2014

Mel circulated draft plans of the CYPP. Any comments and provisions are to be sent to Mel by the end of May so it is ready to be published in July.

There has been a lot of stakeholder contribution for the plan, Mel thanked partners for their help and contributions.

Mel explained that the action plan is set at a high level and welcomed any comments. Cllr Hughes thanked Mel for this piece of work

6 Review of Darlington Partnership

Seth Pearson explained that the Darlington Partnership is currently under review. There is a strong commitment to working in partnership and a commitment to the 'One Darlington Perfectly Placed'

September is the deadline for the final model and a draft model will be ready in July. Any comments are to be sent to Seth.

7 DCSB Annual Report

Odette Sanderson explained that the report was in a draft stage and is out for consultation. Any feedback or recommendations are to be sent to Odette by the end of May.

There is no national guidance on how to write this report. The aim is to look at the achievements and challenges of the previous years.

Achievements include the appointment of an independent chair and 2 lay members.

8 DCS/Children's Trust Protocol

This has been to key stakeholders for consultation.

Mel and Odette have worked together on the protocol. The Children's Trust is accountable to the CYPP and the safeguarding board. The next newsletter will have a joint briefing of the protocol.

The newsletter and protocol were approved

9 Serious Case Review

This was the first serious case review in Darlington and the case came to attention in February 2010. Odette gave the Board an overview of how this case met the criteria of a serious case review. The police investigation is now concluded.

One of the key areas that came from the review was information sharing and communication as systems do not talk to each other across agencies, but professionals can.

Any comments or questions are to be sent to Odette.

10 Indicators for Concern Document

Anita Hamer presented this item on behalf of Yvonne Coats.

It was agreed that there needed to be guidance as to what was universal, specialist and targeted work.

The document breaks down indicators but it is not a check list.

The document has been to partners and needs to be shown to practitioners.

The Board agreed the recommendations.

11 YP Substance Misuse Plan 2011- 2014

David Gardiner took the Board through the plan. It is a three year plan and the three main areas are preventing substance misuses, diverting at risk and specialist. Good work has already been carried out but we still face a significant challenge.

The Board agreed for this piece of work to be carried forward.

The following items were for information only

- 12 **Feedback from Provider Forum**
The contents of the report was noted
- 14 **Feedback from Executive Group**
The contents of the report was noted
- 15 **Feedback from Joint Commissioning Unit**
The contents of the report was noted
- 16 **DSCB Board Minuets**
The contents of the report was noted
- 17 **Breastfeeding strategy**
The contents of the report was noted

Urgent Business Raised Under Item 4

None.

- 16 **Dates of Future Meetings**
Friday, 19th August 2011, 9.30am, Committee Room 1, Darlington Town Hall