

**REPORT TO CYPSP FROM THE
BELFAST, NORTHERN,
SOUTH EASTERN, SOUTHERN
AND WESTERN
AREA OUTCOMES GROUPS**

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The Purpose of Outcomes Groups

“The purpose of the Outcomes Group is to carry out integrated planning and commissioning for children and young people in the area, with specific emphasis on sharing resources across agencies to improve outcomes for children and young people”

Responsibilities



OUTCOMES GROUP CHAIRS

The Outcomes Groups are chaired by the Health and Social Care Trust Directors of Children's Services

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INTEGRATED PLANNING

UPDATE

Planning process Outcomes Groups' Action Plans have been in place since 2011. Groups are currently reviewing progress with regard to actions identified which will in turn inform the new Children and Young People's Plan 2015-18. Groups are working within the Planning Cycle timeline.

Linkages to other planning processes – in setting up the CYPSP efforts were made to make sure duplication of planning did not occur by using existing structures. However, new emerging and overlapping structures continues to be an issue with Outcomes Groups. Linkages have been made with Belfast Strategic Partnership and Early Intervention Derry as well as with PCSPs and other local structures at LPG level.

Community Planning – meetings have been held with Belfast City Council Staff in relation to the necessary connections. In the Northern area the Magherafelt LPG also fulfils the role of Magherafelt District Council Community Planning Sub Group as does Antrim LPG.

ACTION REQUIRED

Consideration needs to be given to how Community Planning will connect with the Children and Young People's Plan and how the work can capitalise on the work of the Outcomes Groups and Locality Planning Groups.



Northern Outcomes Group meet young people from Bellaghy Youth Included

OPTIMISATION OF RESOURCES

UPDATE

Mechanisms are now in place to carry out integrated commissioning of Early Intervention Services with procurement being carried out by Health and Social Care Trusts.

The Belfast Outcomes Group secured early intervention services to the value of over £1m (£1,014,422) being a combination of DHSSPS Family Support funding, HSCB funding and DSC funding. The procurement was carried out by the Belfast Trust on behalf of the Belfast Outcomes Group following the identification of priority areas emerging from a process of outcomes based planning. The contracts will be in place for 18 months when the process will begin again.

Northern, Western and South Eastern Outcomes Groups are also progressing procurement of services by combining the HSCB and DSC funds with Southern also having completed the process.

Information about new services commissioned can be found at www.cypsp.org/belfast.htm

ACTION REQUIRED

Pooling early intervention budgets/funding in order to optimise resources has not extended beyond the HSCB/DHSSPS/DSC.

Consideration needs to be given to how this can be

Outcomes Groups will assess as part of their review the extent to which mainstream services have been influenced by the Outcomes Based Process and report back to CYPSP.

Influence of CYPSP is essential if external funders such as Big Lottery are to see the potential for and benefits to using the multi-agency outcomes based process to identify funding priorities.



Mapping service provision in East Belfast

UPDATE

There are currently 27 Locality Planning Groups operating across the 5 Outcomes Groups.

Belfast OG has worked in conjunction with the Belfast Area Partnerships to take forward locality planning. 4 Groups have now been established in West, North, South and East.

Northern - 10 LPGs are in existence across the Northern area with groups under development in Coleraine and Urban Newtownabbey. Forthcoming events include Antrim Learning Together – event to raise awareness about local children's need for teachers. Carrickfergus Annual Youth Fair.

Southern - 6 LPGs are in existence across the Southern area. 14 workshops have been organised across the LPG areas to meet needs identified by local parents, professionals and young people in relation to cyberbullying and keeping safe on the internet.

South Eastern – Colin EIC and Lisburn EI are an example of existing groups linking to CYPSP. DSC funding will provide assistance to ensure community engagement across the rest of the OG area.

Western – 5 LPGs are in existence with full coverage of the Western area. Western LPGs are hosting a Stakeholder event in each area. A major poverty survey has been piloted in Fermanagh LPG and is now being rolled out across the LPGs in the West and in other areas later in the year.

ACTION REQUIRED

It is essential that front line staff are mandated to participate in the Locality Planning Groups.

Support for Locality Planning comes from different sources – a long term strategic view of how this work will be funded needs to be considered

Dates for all meetings can be found on at www.cypsp.org

Forthcoming events:-

Antrim Learning Together Workshop for Teachers 14 February 2014

Carrickfergus Youth Fair
11 February 2014

Ballyclare Fun and Facts Day for Parents and Practitioners
12 March 2014



Keeping safe on the net – one of the 14 workshops held across the Southern Area.

UPDATE

Participation of children and young people and parents is a key component of the outcomes based planning model.

Parent Reference Groups have been set up in each of the 5 Outcomes Group areas and are reporting to each meeting.

Participation of children and young people continues to be difficult without dedicated resources but is being facilitated where possible through the LPGs.

Northern OG has access to a dedicated participation worker who has engaged with over 1200 young people on an ongoing basis over the past year in network meetings, consultations and youth fairs and events. This has influenced and shaped the Northern OG and LPG action plans which reflect their input and ensure plans are reflective of local need.

ACTION REQUIRED

A review of the participation strategies is currently being undertaken.

Please Circulate the Western Poverty Survey <http://www.cypsp.org/news-events.htm>

A good learner...



P6 and P7 in three Bushmills Primary Schools tell us what makes a good learner and what do young people need to help them learn as part of the Bushmills Education Project

Western Parent Reference Group



Children and young people have been consulted about the Young People's pages on the CYPSP website.

One of the aims of the participation strategy is to use new technology to enhance the involvement process and empower children, young people and parents to fully participate in the planning process.

UPDATE

Stakeholder events are being organised as part of the planning cycle and will also provide a pre-consultation for the development of the Children and Young People's Plan. The events will be tailored to meet the requirements of each Outcomes Group with the purpose of:-

Raising awareness of the CYPSP processes with the wider public and political constituencies

Encouraging greater involvement from children, young people, parents, communities and organisations not already involved.

Gathering information regarding emerging needs in relation to improving outcomes for children and young people to inform the development of plans for 2014 onwards.

Strengthening linkages and communication between the CYPSP membership, Outcomes Groups, Locality Planning Groups, Family Support Hubs and Parent Reference Groups.

To date two major stakeholder events have taken place in Omagh and Fermanagh. Details at www.cypsp.org

ACTION REQUIRED

Attendance where possible by CYPSP members.

Forthcoming events:-

L/Derry 7 March 2014, 9.00am in the Millennium Centre – focus on the engagement of young people.

Invitations will be issued to all members as events are organised.



Young people in Fermanagh attending the Stakeholder event organised in conjunction with Fermanagh PCSP