

## **Children with Disabilities Group**

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2011 at 2pm  
Antrim Board Centre, NEELB, 17 Lough Road, Antrim**

### **Notes & Action Points**

#### **Present**

Kieran McShane	HSCB (Chair)
Alan Sheeran	National Deaf Children Society
Ann Godfrey	CYPSP
Ann Patience	BELB obo ELB
Catherine Reilly	Glencraig
Kevin McCormick	Barnardos
Theresa Stewart	DCYPPP
Liz Osborne	Northern Ireland Cancer Fund for Children (NICFC)
Pascel McKeown	Mencap
Pauline McDonald	BHSCT obo Social Care
Rosemary Murray	DCYPPP
Rosie McNaughton	Cedar Foundation

#### **Apologies**

Mary Emerson	AHP, PHA
Rosaleen Dempsey	RNIB
Karen Diamond	NI Music Therapy Trust

#### **1. Notes of Previous Meeting (5<sup>th</sup> October 2011)**

Amendment – noted. Rosie McNaughton in attendance.

#### **2. Matters Arising**

Matters arising to be dealt with in body of Agenda.

#### **3. Completion of Templates**

Colleagues who had completed Templates provided a brief outline in respect of key areas.

**Action:** Copies of templates received to be circulated via e-mail to all members.

#### **4. Outstanding Templates**

Members who had not completed, to complete and return as soon as possible.

**Action:** Outstanding templates to be returned and circulated as per previous action point.

All outstanding templates to be collated and key themes identified for collation. .

**Action:** Thematic analysis of returned templates to provide basis of Children with Disabilities groups, plan for completion by 19<sup>th</sup> December 2011.

#### **5. Respite/Short Breaks**

There was discussion in respect of the respite phase 2 reports. Members outlined that they were concerned that this area which was identified within this group's workplan/templates was to be taken forward by an alternative group. Members raised the issue of representation of the other group in that no community/voluntary organisations were participating. Members also raised the fact that the voice of young people was not represented and this was contrary to the UNCRC. The group asked that the chair raise these matters with the relevant director in the HSCB.

#### **6. Workshop/Seminar with CSF**

The Group were advised of the work being progressed under the Children's Services Frameworks and the CwD element. It was advised that Christine Lenehan of Every Disabled Child Matters had indicated a willingness to share the experiences regarding Demyon High, Short Breaks and Transition. The group agreed that the option of exploring a workshop/seminar in conjunction with the CSF should be explored.

**Action:** Development of proposal regarding workshop/seminar.

#### **7. Any Other Business**

None noted.

#### **8. Date of Next Meeting**

Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2012 at 1.30 pm in Antrim Board Centre, NEELB, 17 Lough Road, Antrim, BT41 4DH