

# Cambridgeshire Children's Trust

### Notes of the meeting

### **Huntingdonshire Area Partnership**

# Extended Area Partnership Meeting Thursday 16 October 2014 1.00 – 4.30pm - Huntingdonshire Regional College

**Actions** 

**Apologies**: Laura Hunt – Police

Sue Johnson – School Nursing Norma Wilby – School Nursing

Amanda Boxford – Library Services CCC Barry Smethurst – Governor Advisory Service Keith Bowman – Axiom Housing Association

Mick Ford – St. Peter's School

Vanessa Moore - CPFT

Carrie Bewick – Food for Life Partnership

1.0 Introduction This extended meeting is the first time this format has been tried in Hunts. The aim

is to reflect on what has gone well in the last year and seek commitment for projects to take forward in the coming year. Attendance was open to individuals, groups and organisations who are not regular members of the Partnership to seek

their input to and support for Area Partnership work

2.0 Past Work & Lessons Learnt

Gill Hanby, Area Partnerships' Manager summarised past work and lessons learned. Then short presentations were made about emerging work in the Hunts area that fit Area Partnership priorities. These comprised:

- Young people and mental health
- •Increasing up-take of Free School Meals
- Employability Opportunities to reduce NEETs
- •Flexible Progression Pathways for NEETs
- •An IAG Hub
- Arts, Culture and Employability
- Supporting parents eligible for funded 2 childcare into education and employment
- Supporting new communities
- Raising Awareness of and Preventing Child Sexual exploitation
- Substance Using Parents

3..0 Presentations :

Each project lead presented their project and invited members to contribute theirs skills, expertise or resources, if they were able.

Mental Health and Young People: Presented by Diane Lane, Community

Engagement Programme Manager, working with Daniel Beckett of Godmanchester Baptist Church

An asset based approach to look at emotional wellbeing and mental health issues for young people in Eynesbury, St. Neots and Godmanchester.

**Free School Meals**: Presented by Sarah Wright, Education Welfare Benefits (CCC) The project will progress work with HDC to share information and encourage greater up-take of FSMs across all ages and wants to look at Secondary age students take up of the free meal

**Employability and Young People**: Presented by Kim Cooke Hunts Academies

Secondary Partnership



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The project is looking to improve and co-ordinate employability especially in relation to young people who are vulnerable or need extra support to access education, employment and training

**Pathway Programmes**: Presented by Sue Butcher, Huntingdonshire Regional College

The programme provides individual learning plans based around English and Maths. It is a flexible programme with work experience, vocational learning and job coaching

**Improving Young People's access to Information, Advice and Guidance**: Presented by Julie Drummond, Hunts District Council

The project will create a skills hub for young people in Huntingdonshire

**Young People, Arts, Culture and Employability**: Presented by Stephanie Hogger, Norfolk and Norwich Festival Bridge

The project will be based at Alconbury Weald and bring together a number of themes and partners to create a long term project to involve young people in arts and cultural activities; develop personal and employability skills and create a pathway to employment opportunities

## **Employability Opportunities for Parents in receipt of Funded Two's Childcare**: Presented by Gill Hanby

The project is looking to help parents get into Education, training or employment during the 15 hours per week where children are in childcare

**Supporting New Communities:** Presented by Andrew Skea, Locality Manager for, Huntingdon

The project needs to consider the challenges faced by the set-up of new communities, such as isolation and how to engage the early settlers in the locality from the onset. Lessons can be learned from the experience in Loves Farm and Cambourne

**Child Sexual Exploitation**: Presented by Sarah Tabbitt

A proposal to develop joint work with the Hunts Community Safety Partnership, looking at prevention and awareness

**Substance Using Parents:** Presented by Rebecca Pentelow and Tracey Coulton-Weir, Children's Link Project

Developing joint work between Drug agencies and services for families. Keen to develop joint working

## 4.0 The Market Place

This section of the meeting gave people an opportunity to talk to project advocates about the proposed projects. Participants were asked:

- How they could support or be involved in individual projects?
- What ideas they had for taking the project forward?



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The following people expressed an interest in being involved in specific projects:

## Building Community Capacity to promote Emotional Wellbeing and support young people with emerging mental health problems

Diane Lane (CCC)

Daniel Beckett – Godmanchester Baptist Church

Andrew Skea (CCC)

James Burgess (CCC)

Kim Taylor - Spring Common School

Susanne Stent (HRC)

Andre Bradley

Links to Change

Link with: HRC; Links to Change; Children Centres

#### Increasing the Up-take of Free School Meals

Sarah Wright (CCC)

Sarah Stevenson (CCC)

Link with: Food for Life Partnership

#### Supporting parents eligible for funded 2 childcare into education and employment

Heather Davidson – Health Watch

Keith Bowman – Accent Housing

Susanne Stent – HRC Link with :HRC Nursery

#### **IAG Hub**

Julie Drummond - HDC

Chris Witham - CCC

Sue Houghton - CCC

Link with: Schools - senior IAG Leads; Foundation Learning; Employer Services

Team; New EET Forum (JB)

#### **Employability Opportunities Under RPA to reduce NEETs**

Kim Cooke

Heather Davison - Health Watch

Martin Ives - Kick Start

Link with: Connections Bus (Alan Webb); Ramsey Million (Val Fendley); Keith

Bowman (Accent Housing)

#### **Flexible Progression Pathways for NEETs**

Sue Butcher (HRC)

Heather Davidson – Health Watch Andre Bradley – Links to Change

Link with: New EET Forum (JB)



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Using the Arts to promote •arts, culture and heritage; employability enterprise

Steph Hogger – Festival Bridge

**Locality Teams** 

Val Fendley (Ramsey Million)

Keith Bowman (Accent Housing)

Link with : IAG Hub; EET Forum

#### **Raise Awareness and Prevent CSE**

Sarah Tabbitt (CCC)

Claudia Deeth (HDC)

Laura Hunt (Police)

Kim Taylor - Spring Common School

Link with: Community Safety Partnership

#### **Substance Using Parents**

Rebecca Pentelow CCC

Tracy Coulton Weir CCC

Kim Taylor Spring Common School

Link with: Connections Bus (Alan Webb)

## Considering the challenges of new communities and how to engage the early settlers in the locality from the onset and learning from experience

Sarah Stevenson CCC

Link with: New Communities team (CCC)

wishes were expressed for her new role

#### Full details of support offered and ideas for taking projects forward are available

		from gill.hanby@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
5.0	The Area Plan	Information from the meeting will be collated and developed to form the Area Plan
		which will be presented at the next meeting in January
6.0	Summary	At the end of the event participants felt
		•That discussion had been useful
		<ul> <li>It was useful to make links to co-ordinate and avoid duplication</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>It would have been useful to have input from schools</li> </ul>
7.0	Dates of	•Tuesday 20 January 2015 2.00pm- 4.00pm Civic Suite, Pathfinder House
	Future	<ul><li>Thursday 26 March 2015 2.30pm -4.30pm Civic Suite, Pathfinder House</li></ul>
	Meetings	•Thursday 18 June 2015 2.00pm- 4.00pm Civic Suite, Pathfinder House
8.0	Any Other	Thanks were expressed to Helen Taylor who has provided administrative support for
	Business	the partnership for many years and is now moving on from her post at HDC. Best