

**MINUTES OF THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP BOARD (HSP)
TUESDAY, 7 APRIL 2009**

Present: Councillor Lorna Reith (Chair), Sue Baker, Graham Badman, Babara Breed, Eleanor Brazil, Yolande Burgess, Councillor Nilgun Canver, Dr Pam Constantinides, Jean Croot, Councillor Dilek Dogus, Jane Elias, Belinda Evans, Dave Grant, Julie Halliday, Jennifer James, Councillor Claire Kober, Peter Lewis, Jane Lithgow, Melian Mansfield, Dr Ita O'Donovan, Jane O'Neil, Cenk Orhan, Jim Shepley, Penny Thompson.

In Attendance: Xanthe Barker, Zakir Chaudhry, Mary Connolly, Tim Dauncey, Stephen Deitch, Nick Jackson, Leon Joseph, Claire Wright, Patricia Walker.

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
OBCB81.	<p>APOLOGIES</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from the following:</p> <p>Tracey Baldwin Melanie Danan Jan Doust Paul Head -Jane O'Neil Janette Karklins Claire Panniker -Julie Halliday David Sloman</p>	
OBCB82.	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>No declarations of interest were made.</p>	
OBCB83.	<p>URGENT BUSINESS</p> <p>No items of Urgent Business were raised.</p>	
OBCB84.	<p>MINUTES</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the minutes if the meeting held on 3 February 2009 be confirmed as a correct record.</p>	
OBCB85.	<p>HARINGEY'S FIRST COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FRAMEWORK</p> <p>The Board received a report and presentation setting out the role of the new Community Engagement Framework (CEF) and how it was being developed.</p> <p>It was noted that there were three key reasons for establishing a CEF:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To reaffirm the HSP's commitment to community engagement 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To promote and share partnership understanding of principles and community engagement • To identify and prioritise areas for development <p>There were several national and local drivers for forming the CEF including the Local Government and Involvement in Public Health Act and Local Area Agreement (LAA) targets.</p> <p>The Board was advised that the HSP Performance Management Group (PMG) had established a multi agency sub group to lead on the delivery of the CEF.</p> <p>The first phase of the consultation process had now concluded and the second phase had commenced on 5 March. This included publishing the consultation document on the Council's website and circulating it to Voluntary and Community Sector groups for feedback. A questionnaire had also been circulated seeking specific comments in relation to the vision, definition and principles of the CEF.</p> <p>It was noted that the third phase would take place in the Autumn and would focus primarily on the development of the Action Plan.</p> <p>Members of the Board representing community groups were encouraged to complete the online questionnaire and the Board was advised the closing date for submission was 21 April.</p> <p>In response to concern that there may be duplication between the CEF and the Haringey Compact, the Board was advised that the Compact was specific to the Community and Voluntary Sector. The CEF had been Compact Proofed.</p> <p>It was suggested that consideration should be given to looking at how the role of digital technology could be developed to improve engagement with local people and it was confirmed that the CEF provided for this.</p> <p>The Board was advised that any further queries could be put to the Council's Head of Corporate Policy whose contact details were included within the agenda papers.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the report and presentation be noted.</p>	
<p>OBCB86.</p>	<p>JOINT AREA REVIEW (JAR) ACTION PLAN UPDATE</p> <p>A verbal update was provided on the progress that had been made in respect of the Joint Area Review (JAR) Action Plan.</p> <p>The Board was advised that there had been a meeting between the Director of Children's Services and the Ofsted Inspector reviewing the JAR Action Plan and that, at present, the review was still ongoing.</p>	

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	<p>The Inspector had requested that parts of the Action Plan were reformatted and that additional data was included. The final version of the Action Plan, reflecting these changes, would be submitted on 8 April.</p> <p>The Chair requested that the final document was also circulated to members of the Board once it had been submitted to Ofsted.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. That the verbal update provided be noted. ii. That once the JAR Action Plan had been submitted to Ofsted it should also be circulated to members of the Board. 	<p>Peter Lewis</p>
<p>OBCB87.</p>	<p>PLAY STRATEGY</p> <p>The Board received a presentation from the Haringey Play Association and the Chair of the Early Childhood Forum on the Play Strategy setting out its role and objectives.</p> <p>The Haringey Play Strategy sat within the framework of the National Play Strategy, which formed part of the National Children's Plan. There was a strong emphasis on improving and creating new opportunities for Play within the national strategy and £235M had been identified nationally and a new indicator added to National Indicator Set covering play. This was also being reinforced by new Planning Guidance and guidance being issued to Children's Trusts.</p> <p>At present work was being undertaken to form the new strategy and this would reflect the aspirations of the new Children and Young People's Plan.</p> <p>It was noted that sites were currently being identified under the 'Play Builder' scheme and that local Ward Councillors were being consulted with respect to this. It was also noted that it would be useful if a matrix were formed to ensure that the areas most in need were targeted.</p> <p>The Chair thanked representatives from the Haringey Play Association for the presentation.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the presentation be noted.</p>	
<p>OBCB88.</p>	<p>DEVELOPMENT OF A CHILDREN'S TRUST BOARD -BRIEFING PAPER</p> <p>The Board received a report setting out draft proposals for the creation of a Children's Trust to replace the current Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership Board.</p>	

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The JAR report that reviewed services for children and young people in Haringey had identified a need to improve governance arrangements for the Safeguarding of Children. Following on from these recommendations the Board had agreed that a Children's Trust should be established to replace the existing Board and that a review should be undertaken of the other bodies and sub structures beneath this.

The Board considered the proposed Terms of Reference, options in relation to membership and the how the sub-structures beneath the Trust would operate.

Terms of Reference

In response to a query as to how the proposed Terms of References reflected the change in status to a Trust and the specific responsibilities attached to Trust status; the Board was advised that the JAR had recommended that a Children's Trust should be established as this would provide a more robust and accountable body.

It was noted that the Audit Commission had recently published a report suggesting that Partnerships did not provide a strong enough mechanism to hold partners to account. The Audit Commission had considered that Children's Trusts formed a better vehicle for ensuring that individual partners were accountable for ensuring that decisions made by the Trust were implemented by their organisation.

The Board was advised that the proposed Terms of Reference reflected emerging guidance and that responsibility for monitoring of Local Area Agreement (LAA) targets would be subsumed by the Trust.

Commissioning and the pooling of budgets would be an issue for the Trust to consider and once established it would need to determine to what extent Trust partners would be willing to commit to this.

There was agreement that the Terms of Reference proposed were acceptable in principal.

Membership

The Chair noted that it had been originally intended that the membership of the existing CYPSP would be significantly reduced when it became a Children's Trust. However, new legislation was likely to suggest that the membership of Trusts was widened; given this much of the membership remained the same, with limited changes proposed.

There was discussion around the proposed membership and there was a general consensus that there should be GP representation on the Trust and it was suggested that Clinical Executive Committee should be asked to nominate a representative.

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	<p>The proposed membership included a place for an Opposition councillor and this was accepted.</p> <p>The Board discussed proposals to include the Community Link Forum (CLF) representatives within the sub-groups rather than the Trust itself. The Community and Voluntary Sector would continue to be represented within the Trust by HAVCO and the CLF representatives would take on a more practical role within the sub-groups attached to the Trust. This approach would also avoid any possible conflict of interest in terms of Commissioning.</p> <p>It was noted that if the sub-groups were formed on a regional basis the CLF would need to take this into consideration in their election process.</p> <p>There was agreement that the proposed Membership was broadly acceptable and that the position of CLF representatives should be considered during discussion around how the sub groups would operate.</p> <p><u>Children's Trust Executive Performance Management Group</u></p> <p>The Chair advised that this body would take an overview of reporting arrangements between the Trust, its sub-groups and the Local Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB). It would also have the ability to take decisions in certain circumstances and ensure that decisions made at meetings were taken forward.</p> <p>There was a general consensus that a Children's Trust PMG should be established.</p> <p><u>Supporting Sub Groups</u></p> <p>The Board discussed the proposed options for the format of the sub-groups supporting the Children's Trust.</p> <p>Concern was expressed around whether the sub-groups were intended to act in a delivery or advisory capacity and there was agreement that clarity was required with respect to this before the composition of the sub-groups could be agreed.</p> <p>It was noted that if the sub-groups were formed on a geographical basis the current focus on fourteen to eighteen provision may be lost. There was agreement that this and post sixteen education in particular, would need to be looked at to ensure that this focus was maintained.</p> <p>There was agreement that a workshop session should be organised prior to the next meeting of the Board to look at this issue in more detail and to consider the proposed Membership and Terms of Reference in more detail.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p>	<p>CLF</p> <p>Peter Lewis / Tim Dauncey</p> <p>Peter Lewis / Tim Dauncey</p> <p>Peter Lewis</p> <p>Peter Lewis / Tim Dauncey</p> <p>Peter Lewis / Tim Dauncey</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. That the proposals contained within the report be approved. ii. That a half day session should be organised for members of the Board to discuss the issues raised above in more detail. 	Dauncey
<p>OBCB89.</p>	<p>ADDRESSING NATIONAL INDICATOR 113: PREVALENCE OF CHLAMYDIA IN UNDER TWENTY YEAR OLDS</p> <p>The Board received a verbal update from the Associate Director of Performance, NHS Haringey, on progress in addressing National Indicator (NI) 113: Prevalence of Chlamydia in Under Twenty Five Year Olds.</p> <p>The Board was advised that since the Haringey Strategic Partnership (HSP) meeting in November 2008, where the Partnership had focussed on how performance against this target could be improved; there had been a significant increase in the level of screenings carried out. One of the most successful actions taken by Partners was the introduction of screenings at CONEL and Haringey Sixth Form Centre.</p> <p>At present only one secondary school in the Borough had agreed to hold screenings and it was agreed that the Council should contact secondary school heads to discuss this issue.</p> <p>It was noted that a number of staff from the Youth Service had been trained by NHS staff on carrying out Chlamydia testing; however, to date, no tests had been carried out. It was suggested that it would be more efficient to focus on improving screening in existing health centres rather than training people working in other areas to carry out the tests.</p> <p>In response to a suggestion that a point of contact should be established by the Local Authority to liaise with the NHS on this issue, the Board was advised that the jointly appointed Director of Public Health was the point of contact for this issue and that she fulfilled this role.</p> <p>The Chair requested that a report should be submitted to the Board setting out progress to date against each of the actions put forward at the HSP meeting where this issue had been discussed.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. That the verbal update provided be noted. ii. That the Director of the Children and Young People's Service should contact secondary school heads to encourage them to hold Chlamydia testing in their schools. iii. That a report should be submitted to the Board setting out progress to date against each of the actions put forward at the HSP meeting where this issue had been discussed. 	<p>Peter Lewis</p> <p>Stephen Deitch</p> <p>Peter Lewis</p> <p>Stephen Deitch</p>
<p>OBCB90.</p>	<p>CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PLAN UPDATE</p>	

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	<p>The Board received a report that provided an update on progress in preparing the new Children and Young People's Plan (C&YPP).</p> <p>Following the decision to form a Children's Trust, the current C&YPP had been extended from April to September 2009, in order to allow for the necessary adjustments to be made to reflect this.</p> <p>The Board was advised that consultation had begun with the 2020 Vision event held last October and the outcomes of this were being used to inform the current consultation, and a questionnaire was available on the Council's website. A Working Party had been established to produce the Strategy.</p> <p>The Chair requested that a link to the questionnaire should be circulated to members of the Board.</p> <p>There was agreement that a report should be submitted to the Board's next meeting setting out how children and young people would be able to influence the C&YPP.</p> <p>It was noted that it had previously been agreed that there should be a review of what had been achieved under the previous C&YPP and that this should be reported to the Board.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. That progress to date be noted. ii. That the questionnaire and consultation document referred to above should be circulated to members of the Board. iii. That a report should be submitted to the Board's next meeting setting out how children and young people would be able to influence the C&YPP. iv. That a review of what had been achieved under the previous C&YPP should be reported to the Board. 	<p>Patricia Walker</p> <p>Patricia Walker</p> <p>Patricia Walker</p> <p>Patricia Walker</p> <p>Patricia Walker</p> <p>Patricia Walker</p>
<p>OBCB91.</p>	<p>PERFORMANCE: MONITORING OF NON LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT INFORMATION</p> <p>The Board received a report, which had been requested at the previous meeting, identifying areas that fell outside the remit of the Local Area Agreement (LAA) in terms of monitoring and how this issue was being addressed.</p> <p>It was noted that since the introduction of the new LAA the Board had received quarterly updates on LAA targets. Prior to this a scorecard had been presented to the Board setting out performance against key indicators that were matched to Every Child Matters (ECM) outcomes.</p>	

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<p>OBCB95. ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p>	<p>The Board was advised by the Chair of the Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) that once finalised the LSCB's Work Programme would be circulated to Board members.</p>	<p>All to note</p>
<p>OBCB96. SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS</p>	<p>There was agreement that a rolling Work Plan should be formed and submitted to the Board at its next meeting.</p>	<p>Patricia Walker</p>
<p>OBCB97. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS</p>	<p>The dates set out below for future meetings were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 19 May 2009, 6.30pm, Civic Centre • 14 July 2009, 6.30pm, Civic Centre • 5 October 2009, 6.30pm, Civic Centre • 17 December 2009, 6.30pm, Civic Centre • 9 February 2010, 6.30pm, Civic Centre • 15 April 2010, 6.30pm, Civic Centre 	<p>All to note</p>

COUNCILLOR LORNA REITH

Chair

The meeting closed at 8.40pm