

**CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S  
STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP  
18 JULY 2012**

**PRESENT: Debbie Barnes (Chairman)**

Malcolm Barham (VCS YMCA), Debbie Barnes (Lincolnshire County Council), Ginny Blackoe (Lincolnshire Community Health Services), Caroline Broughton (Lincolnshire Police), Michael Follows (Lincolnshire Schools' Forum), Lynne McNiven (NHS Lincolnshire), Rachel North (West Lindsey District Council), Karen Parsons (VCS), Chris Seymour (Special Schools – Pilgrim) and Paula Whitehead (Lincolnshire LSCB)

Also in attendance: Stuart Carlton (Lincolnshire County Council), Sonia Czabanurk (CfBT), David McWilliams (Lincolnshire County Council), Kerry Mitchell (Barnado's), Malcolm Ryan (Lincolnshire County Council), Meredith Teasdale (Lincolnshire County Council), Janice Spencer (Lincolnshire County Council), Zania Stevens (Lincolnshire County Council) and Rachel Wilson (Lincolnshire County Council).

**34. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs P A Bradwell, Councillor D Brailsford, Chris Cook (Independent Chair of LSCB), Fiona Griffiths (William Hildyard School), Allan Kitt (NHS Lincolnshire) and Joanna Tubb (Lincolnshire County Council).

**35. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING AND ACTION POINTS OF THE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP HELD ON 9 MAY 2012**

The following points were raised from the minutes of the previous meeting of the Partnership held on 9 May 2012:-

- It was noted that Ginny Blackoe represented Lincolnshire Community Health Services and not NHS Lincolnshire as stated;
- It was also noted that Paula Whitehead (Lincolnshire LSCB) had sent her apologies;
- Minute 25, point 2 – it was commented that the second part of the paragraph should be identified as a post meeting note, as this information had only come to light after the meeting;
- Minute 25, point 4 – it was reported that the Children with Disabilities Strategy was still going through the local authority process, and an action plan was being pulled together and it would be brought to the CYPSP in the autumn term. Discussions with the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board had been held in relation to this strategy, but as the Board was still in Shadow form it was thought that it was not appropriate to substantiate the

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arrangements until it was a formal board. The CYPSP would be the delivery arm of the Board in terms of Children and Young People;

- it was agreed that the Interim Executive Director of Children's Services would formally write to Dr Tony Hill, Director of Public Health and Chair of the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board, to invite him to attend the CYPSP Development Day on 3 October 2012;
- Discussions were still taking place regarding whether all CCG's would be able to commission everything or if one would be the lead commissioner and work in partnership with the other CCG's. It was thought that the partnership would find it helpful if they received a presentation on who would be commissioning what. It was suggested that the Director of Public Health should be approached to deliver this presentation;
- It was confirmed that the website had now been created and officer feedback was requested;
- Minute 26 – in relation to the number of Head Teacher representatives, it was felt that they should represent the age ranges rather than the type of schools. It was noted that Chris Seymour was a representative for Special Schools;

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## RESOLVED

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 9 May 2012 be confirmed and agreed as a correct record, subject to the above amendments.

### 36. HEALTH & WELLBEING STRATEGY AND JSNA

The Partnership received an update from Lynne McNiven regarding the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA). A summary document was circulated regarding the theme 'Improve health and social outcomes for children and reduce inequalities'.

The following was reported in terms of timings for the Strategy:

- The impact analysis was currently being reviewed
- The final version of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy was going to the designer on 24 July 2012
- The design would be signed off in the first week of August 2012
- The Strategy would be formally signed off by the Executive at its meeting on 4 September 2012
- It will then be signed off by NHS Lincolnshire before the end of September 2012

It was reported that the Strategy had been to the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board the previous week, and all comments made then had

been incorporated into the document, therefore there was still time for the Partnership to feed in comments before it was signed off.

The Partnership was provided with the opportunity to discuss the Strategy and the following points were noted:

- The focus on mental health services was welcomed;
- Tier 2 training was being implemented in schools. There was a need to understand the impact of tier 2 and what would be gained from tier 3;
- The JSNA has a real opportunity to make a difference this year and next year;
- It was thought that more balance was required in relation to breastfeeding, as while initiation within the county was very good, continuation past 6-8 weeks was behind target, although this was improving;
- There had been a start in making the JSNA needs assessment more user friendly, so that it meant something to people;
- There was a need for an action plan which had timed actions, as well as what needed to be increased or lowered and in what amount of time;
- There were public health trajectories, and information on these could be provided quite easily;
- The performance report for the Children and Young People's Plan was due in October 2012. Theme leads would be empowered to set up task and finish groups if they felt that things were not progressing as desired;
- It was agreed that there was a need to build on the current Health and Wellbeing Strategy, and help was needed to identify the relevant performance indicators. Meredith Teasdale agreed to work with Lynne McNiven on this, and assistance from any other members of the Partnership would be welcomed.

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McNiven

## RESOLVED

That the update be noted

### 37. ACTION GROUP UPDATES

#### Lincolnshire Participation Action Group

Kerry Mitchell from Barnado's updated the Partnership on the Lincolnshire Participation Action Group. It was reported that they had an agreed Terms of Reference and a Role Description for Members. There would be three meetings per year as well as two events which young people and partners would be involved in.

A discussion followed and some of the points raised included the following:

- The Group had already linked in with the stakeholders and the third sector forum;
- If there was a need to get together at a higher level, this would be done;
- There was a desire for district councils to get involved;
- It was hoped that the joint meetings with young people would continue and provide the link to both the CYPSP and Health and Wellbeing Board;
- The Participation Group action plan would come back to a future meeting of the CYPSP;
- It was important that the right representatives were at the meetings;

Kerry Mitchell

#### 14 – 19 Partnership (RPA)

It was reported that the 14-19 agenda was moving fast, and there were some good activities taking place. It was queried whether the Partnership had any proposals which would help ensure that schools were supported.

A discussion followed and some of the points raised included the following:

- Work needed to be done on how to define vulnerable learners, and what was considered a reasonable excuse for why a child would not participate after the age of 16;
- Employers would be encouraged to ensure that 16 year olds they employed were in some sort of training;
- Most young people did progress positively at 16, but would tend not to continue past 17;
- It was being found that a lot of schools were buying careers provision back from the local authority careers team;
- The Participation Group was working very closely with the team identifying young people who were NEET. They had also been working closely with schools in the early identification of children who may go on to become NEET;
- Were there particular areas or particular schools that had more occurrences of NEET's?
- Greater Lincolnshire had been identified as an area where there was a particular need to target work with young people between the ages of 18 and 24;
- All providers were being worked with, including further education and work based academies as well as schools;
- There was a need to identify where partnership groups and sub groups fitted together;
- An update on the emerging employment strategy would be welcomed;
- What was being done to help young people to participate?
- What was being done to ensure that young people were part of

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the workforce;

- Lincolnshire was well below target for apprenticeships for 16-18 year olds. It was suggested that this could be an action for the Partnership;
- National and local research had been carried out into why young people did not participate;
- Young people who were involved in alcohol and substance misuse were some of the most vulnerable groups;
- What was the youth offer from the Partnership, not just the local authority;
- Any examples of good practice needed to be shared;
- This also fed into the housing strategy, as a collective response was required to tackle youth homelessness;
- Schools were looking into the idea of recruiting their own specialist careers advisor;
- Schools would need to pay for careers guidance, but they would not be receiving any extra funding;
- Whether it was appropriate to set targets for how many young people the County Council should employ

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The following actions arising from the discussions were agreed:

- A further piece of work around the youth offer was requested
- An update regarding apprenticeships in Lincolnshire and whether the County Council was doing enough to employ and train young people with the organisation;

Stuart Carlton

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## RESOLVED

That the updates and actions agreed be noted.

### 38. SECTOR LED IMPROVEMENT

It was reported by the Interim Executive Director Children's Services that it had been stated in the Munro Report that sector led improvement was a positive thing and it should support external inspections. Inspections would take the form of a three day Peer Challenge in relation to a specific theme and there would also be one day which would look at safeguarding arrangements.

It was reported that Lincolnshire's Peer Challenge had taken place the previous week and had been carried out by Nottinghamshire County Council around 'Narrowing the Gap'. The next part would include a multi-agency Peer Review team. It was noted that Lincolnshire was the second local authority to have had a Peer Challenge Review and it was noted that the Review team found Ofsted's judgement of the authority of being outstanding was correct.

The summary of the findings of the Peer Review would be shared with the Partnership.

The Peer Challenges were sector support, and took the form of robust conversations, focus groups and data analysis, and it was commented that it felt like a much healthier process than Ofsted inspections. It was more about learning and development. It was also thought that it was good practice for future Ofsted inspections.

It was considered reassuring that the opinion of the authority in relation to its services had been confirmed by other professionals.

## RESOLVED

That the update be noted.

### 39. ALICSE

The Partnership received a presentation from the Head of Performance Assurance which provided information in relation to the Advanced Leadership In an Integrated Children's Services Environment (ALICSE) programme. The presentation provided detailed information in relation to the following areas:

- What is it?
- Who is it for?
- Overview of course and content
- 2012/2013 Cohort/recruitment application process

It was requested that anyone who was keen to be involved in the selection process for the programme should contact David McWilliams.

## RESOLVED

That the presentation be noted.

### 40. BRANDING/VISUAL IDENTITY

A number of possible designs for a new CYPSP logo were circulated to the Partnership for consideration. It was noted that these were just initial designs to try and identify what people were looking for. It was also noted that there was a need to decide whether partners wanted a strapline for the logo as well, keeping in mind that it would need to be reduced in size. It was requested that partners e-mail their thoughts on the suggested logo's to David McWilliams, and then the next step would be to involve children and young people.

It was considered important to get the views of young people on what the logo would look like, and also to provide them with the opportunity to contribute their own ideas.

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The Chair thanked Malcolm Barham for his support, and that of the YMCA, and it was agreed that the logos would be shown to the young people, and views brought back to the autumn meeting.

David McWilliams

RESOLVED

That the update and actions be noted.

41. PARTNER UPDATES/ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business to report.

The meeting closed at 4.15 p.m.