

Minutes of the Children's Trust Board (27.03.12)

Date: 27th March 2012 | Time: 4.30 – 6.30pm | Venue: Stockton Central Library Lecture Hall

Glossary of Terms and Abbreviations used.

CAF	Common Assessment Framework	JSNA	Joint Strategic Needs Assessment
CESC	Children, Education & Social Care	LA	Local Authority
CTB	Children's Trust Board	LAC	Looked after Children
CTMT	Children's Trust Management Team	LMC	Local Medical Council
CYPP	Children's and Young People's Plan	MYP	Member of Youth Parliament
DfE	Department for Education	SBC	Stockton Borough Council
EIG	Early Intervention Grant	SLACI	Safeguarding and Looked After Children Inspection
EIT	Efficiently, Improvement & Transformation	SLSCB	Stockton-on-Tees Local Safeguarding Children Board
HWB	Health & Well-being Board	TAMHS	Targeted and Mental Health in Schools
IYSS	Integrated Youth Support Services	YOS	Youth Offending Service

1) Attendance at Meeting

Key: ✓ - Attended, REP – Representative Attended, APOL - Submitted Apologies

Statutory Members

Representing	Title/ Dept / Agency	Name	Abbr	Attendance
	Chair (Cabinet Member for Children & Young People)	Cllr Ann McCoy	AM	✓
Local Authority	Councillor (Cabinet Member for Adult Services & Health)	Cllr Jim Beall	JB	✓
	Corporate Director of Development and Neighbourhood Services (DNS)	Paul Dobson	PD	REP
	Councillor (Cabinet Member for Corporate Management and Finance)	Cllr David Harrington	DH	✓
	Corporate Director of Children, Education & Social Care	Jane Humphreys	JH	✓
	Chief Executive	Neil Schneider	NS	APOL
	Councillor	Cllr Mary Womphrey	MW	✓
Cleveland Police	District Commander	Darren Best	DB	✓
	Cleveland Police Authority Delegate	Geoff Fell	GF	APOL
Health	NHS Tees	Khalid Azam	KA	APOL
	NHS Stockton - Acting Chief Executive	Steven Childs	SC	APOL
	Tees, Esk, & Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust	Chris Davis	CD	APOL
	NHS Stockton	Ruth Hill	RH	✓
	North Tees & Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust	Carol Langrick	CL	APOL
	GP Representative	Dr John O'Donoghue	JD	APOL
Job Centre Plus	Representative	Carol Daniell	CD	APOL
Voluntary Sector	Assistant Director of Children Services - Barnardos	Sandra Egleton	SE	APOL
	Representative (Children's Society)	Peter Lowe	PL	✓
Area Partnerships	Northern Area Partnership	Val Scollen	VS	✓
	Eastern Area Partnership	Graeme Oram	GO	APOL
	Western Area Partnership	Geoff Turner	GT	✓
Young People's Representative	Member of Youth Parliament	Matthew Willson	MW	APOL
Schools	Executive Head Teacher of Stockton Borough First Federation	Elizabeth Horne	EH	APOL
LSCB	Independent Chair	Colin Morris	CM	APOL
Probation	Teesside Probation Service	Lucia Saiger	LS	APOL
CTB Sub Group Chair	14 – 19 Partnership Chair	Martin Clinton	MC	✓

CTB Advisors/ Staff

Representing	Title / Dept / Agency	Name		Attendance
Local Authority	Head of Business Support & Improvement Business Support and Improvement	Simon Willson	SW	✓
		Martin Graham	MG	✓
		Tracy Cooke	TC	✓

Guests / Speakers

Representing	Title / Dept / Agency	Name	Abbr
Local Authority	Development and Neighbourhood Services (DNS)	Mike Batty	MB
	Head of Education, Early Years & Complex Needs	Lynda Brown	SM
Health	NHS Stockton	Jane Smith	ES

Voluntary	Catalyst	Allison Aguis (APOL)	AA
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No.	Agenda Item	Action
2	Minutes from Previous Meeting Amendment to the previous minutes – Noted that Val Scollen sent her apologies to previous meeting. Agreed as a true record.	
3	Matters Arising	
3.1	<u>CAF</u> – Following the joint letter from the Chairs of both the CTB and LSCB to the LMC sent on 18 th December 2011 regarding use of CAF, as yet there has been no response. JH suggested and the board agreed that this should be followed up.	MG/JH
3.2	<u>CAF</u> - Consideration has been given at CTMT as to how best to feedback on outcomes following CAF intervention. JH updated the board that she has asked that a scoping exercise be undertaken as the work is potentially resource intensive.	JH
3.3	<u>Succession Planning</u> – Details of the next round of Succession Planning training was distributed. Two nominations were selected for the programme by CTMT, one from within the Local Authority and the second from North Tees & Hartlepool Foundation Trust.	
3.4	<u>E-genda</u> – Due to developments in relation to future of the Children's Trust Board. It was decided that the introduction of Eagenda should not be pursued.	
3.5	<u>SLACI pro forma</u> - responses have been received from: PCT, Barnardos, Public Health, North Tees & Hartlepool Foundation Trust, Police and the Five Lamps Organisation. SW will be following up with Probation.	SW
	Action / Decision The board accepted the updates.	
4	Issues from Members and Young People	
4.1	JB put forward a request from the Eastern Ravens Young Carers project who would like to deliver their Young Carers Aloud presentation to a board meeting.	
	Action / Decision The board agreed to invite Eastern Ravens to give their presentation to the meeting in June 2012.	MG
5	Teenage Pregnancy – Future Delivery of the C-Card Scheme	
5.1	Jane Smith - Early Intervention Manager presented her report on the future delivery of the C-Card scheme in Stockton Borough. JS provided the board with the background to the scheme and how it has expanded to include pregnancy testing and Chlamydia screening. The service is delivered by practitioners who work with young people within a variety of settings. The current funding stream is due to end on 31st March 2012.	
5.2	Since the re-launch of the C Card scheme in 2008, over 1300 young people each year have accessed the service. Over 70% of the users have been young men with the majority aged between 13 – 16 years old. The Community Pharmacies are the sites that are most commonly accessed. The scheme sends a strong preventative message and if it were to be discontinued, it is reasonable to suggest that this could contribute to an increase in sexually transmitted infections and under 18 conception rates.	
5.3	Following changes in funding and restructuring of both Local Authority and local health services, it is recommended that the C-Card scheme is absorbed into the Tees-wide Integrated Sexual Health Service. It is expected that the service will transfer to the new supplier by June 2012. No interruption to service is anticipated.	

5.4 Discussion took place on how the scheme would be monitored. This would be through the performance reporting structures of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

5.5 Action / Decision

The board accepted the report and agreed to the recommendation that the scheme be absorbed into the Tees-wide Integrated Sexual Health Service. **RH**

6 Campus Stockton

6.1 Lynda Brown provided a report on the new Campus Stockton Prospectus of Services which was launched to schools in December 2012. The Prospectus contains a list of services that the local authority can provide to schools and includes information for both Head Teachers and governing bodies.

6.2 Copies of the prospectus are available to view or download on the Stockton Borough Council website:
<http://www.stockton.gov.uk/citizenservices/learning/schools/campusstockton/campusstocktonprospectus/>

6.3 The Chair AM requested that a paper on the prospectus to be included on the agenda for future governing bodies meetings for information purposes.

6.4 Action / Decision

The board accepted the report.
LB to prepare a report for future schools governing bodies meetings for information. **LB**

7 Children's Trust Management Team Update

7.1 JH provide the board with a brief overview of the decisions taken by the Children's Trust Management Team over the last 3 months.

7.2 In addition to this JH hi-lighted that funding has been agreed for the TAMHS project to be rolled out to schools across the borough from May 2012.

7.3 Action / Decision

The board accepted the report.

8 Developing Structures for Health and Wellbeing Arrangements Role of Safeguarding and Children's Trust Board

8.1 RH provided the board with an update on the development of the Health and Wellbeing Board. The remit of the board is to expand to include the responsibility for children and young people's planning.

8.2 As part of developing the new structure and to reflect the new responsibilities the membership of the Health and Well-being Board will be expanded. The proposal is that the Children Trust Board will be disbanded by the autumn.

8.3 New Task and Finish groups will be established to ensure that key issues relating to children and young people are on the agenda.

8.4 The board discussed the issues surrounding the changes in structure and Chair AM requested the development of a structure diagram showing the relationship of the HWB to the current subgroups of the CTB and LSCB. **RH**

8.5 The developments will incorporate the wider engagement of the Shadow Youth Board and the member of Youth Parliament.

8.6 The board discussed how to inform Cabinet on the proposal to disband the CTB. This should be incorporated into the paper on Public Health changes.

8.7 PL asked how the HWB would engage with the voluntary and community sector in relation to their role with children and young people. RH suggested that a representative from the Children's and Young People Consortium could be invited and it was proposed that invitations are sent via Allison Agius who would approach the consortium. **RH**

8.8 Action / Decision

The board agreed to the disbanding of the Children Trust Board with the final meeting now to take place in June 2012.

RH to provide a structure diagram to illustrate the new structures.

Cabinet to be informed of changes in structures

Allison Aguis from Catalyst to be contacted to advise how to engage with the Children's and Young People Consortium

The board accepted the report.

RH
JH
MG

9. EIT Review Update

9.1 JH updated the board on the implementation of the EIT Review of Children's' Services which has approved by Cabinet. Social Work teams are being restructured with a move from targeted and specialist to locality based teams and there will also be a Looked After Children Team.

9.2 2 new children's home have created in Stockton and Thornaby. Both units are 3 bedded placements with a fourth respite bed. Members of the board were invited to visit the new facility in Stockton.

9.3 A review of the Adult Learning Disability and Mental Health Services is taking place which will include a number of key principals including transitions.

9.4 JB highlighted that the review regarding Adult Carers which will incorporate Young Carers issues.

9.5 Action / Decision

Board accepted updates.

10. Performance Update

10.1 Children's Safeguarding Performance Information Consultation

SW provided information on the changes to the inspection process. Ofsted are undertaking a consultation on Children's Safeguarding Performance Information which proposes a change from set targets and performance indicators to performance information.

10.2 CTMT will have the opportunity to respond to the consultation. Members would be invited to comment on a draft response to the consultation which will be circulated. **SW**

10.3 Members discussed the changes to the inspection process and how this would apply.

10.4 New Inspection Framework

SW provided details of the new inspection process. The authority is likely to have an unannounced inspection during the period May 2012 – March 2013. A project group is to be set up to look at the new framework and prepare for the new inspection.

10.5 JH commented that she has written to Ofsted regarding Safeguarding Inspections asking them to consider the impact on partner agencies such as the police and probation service when inspections of neighbouring authorities run consecutively or closely together.

10.6 Sector Led Improvement (SLI)

SW updates the board with regards to Sector Led Improvement. There is a regional group which will lead on SLI activity and training for relevant officers will be arranged,

and AM will be attending a Lead Members Network meeting which will be discussing SLI.

10.7 Members commented on how SLI could be a positive in terms of offering the authority opportunities to improve on areas such as adoption rates and breastfeeding. Members also discussed the funding aspect of the introduction of the scheme.

10.8 **Action / Decision**

Board accepted the updates.

11. **Children and Young People's Plan**

11.1 MG provided the board with a report on the Children's and Young People's Plan which is still in final draft form until agreed by the board.

11.2 The data in the in the context section will be updated in the final version and there will be an insertion to reflect changes in the inspection process with the introduction of Performance Information rather than Performance Indicators

11.3 **Action / Decision**

Board accepted the report and agreed the CYPP subject to the data updates and insertion of the performance information.

12. **Youth Employment Initiatives**

12.1 SW provided the board with details of support available to aid vulnerable young people into employment including increasing the number of apprenticeships.

12.2 SW provided the board an update on discussions at the Multi-Agency Looked After Partnership (MALAP) on young people's involvement in the interview process. A number local young people have been trained to participate in interview panels and are available to agencies as part of their recruitment process. Agencies interested in this service can contact the Local Authority's Human Resources department with a small briefing note.

12.3 **Action / Decision**

Board accepted the report.

13. **SLSCB Information Exchange**

13.1 JH provided the following update from the SLSCB:

- The SLSCB has had 2 board meetings and 1 executive meeting since last Children's Trust Meeting.
- The board has completed its annual quality assurance review of key services
- The Procedures and Practice Task Group and Performance and Quality Task Group have now been reconfigured into a new Performance and Practice Group. The membership of the new task group is currently being reviewed.
- The new Tees wide procedures have been agreed by Stockton LSCB subject to some final amendments. The website will be going live as from the 1st May 2012. Briefing sessions are currently taking place (March –April).
- SLSCB scheme of delegation has been agreed.
- A discussion has taken place regarding charging for multi agency training and process has been agreed.
- Safeguarding briefing note was circulated to members in February 2012.

- SLSCB has also had a development day which identified key priorities for 2012/2014. Discussion included the changes in health and transitions arrangements. Learning around Think Child, Think Parent and the Think Family process.

13.2 AM commented on the positive work achieved during the SLSCB Development Day. MG provided additional information on the launch of the Tees wide procedures. The multi-agency awareness sessions have started to take place with 80 people attending the first day. The Tees wide procedures will be on line as from 1st May 2012.

13.3 The Tees LSCB procedures can be accessed at: <http://www.teescpp.org.uk/>

Action / Decision

Board accepted updates.

14. Exception Reporting from Partnership Groups

14.1 Public Health Update

RH updated that the responsibility for Public Health will be transferring to the Local Authority as from April 2012. Interviews for a Faculty Director of Public Health will be taking place on 17th April 2012. RH will provide an in depth briefing to the next board meeting.

14.2 JB provided details on a conference – “Prevention Through Partnership” which is being facilitated by the Children’s Society on 19th April 2012. The focus is on the whole family approach to providing support to children and young people. Information on the conference has been circulated to members. Nominations to be discussed and agreed by CTMT. Members from the Voluntary Sector are also invited to attend.

14.3 Nominations to be forwarded to MG/ TC.

15. Any Other Business

15.1 None

Meeting closed

Details of Next Meeting:

Date:	Wednesday 27 th June 2012	Time:	4.30 – 6.30pm	Venue:	Stockton Central Library Lecture Hall
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