

Improving Life Chances Implementation Group - May 7, 2019

<p>In Attendance: Christine Walker (Robertson Trust, Vice chair and chair for this meeting); Debbie Nolan (CYCJ); Pamela Morrison (CYCJ); Luiza Leite (SG Youth Justice); Mairi Tulbure (Up to Us); Russell Hamilton (Action for Children); Gemma Fraser (Community Justice Scotland); Liz Murdoch (SG Youth Justice); Carole Dearie (St Mary's Kenmure); Ranald McTaggart (National Youth Justice Advisory Group NYJAG/Renfrewshire Council); Fiona Bennett (Barnardos); Pam Stott (SG Victim & Witnesses)</p>	
<p>Apologies: Gill Robinson (Chair SPS); Jenny Leishman (Justice Analytical Service); Lynne McNiven (Child Health Commissioners); Jan Green (RCSLT); Jackie Deas (Care Inspectorate); Greg Hiddleston (Skills Development Scotland); Drew Collier (Includem); Craig French (SACRO); Lynne Binnie (ADES); Ruth Kerracher (CYCJ/STAF); College Development Network</p>	
Agenda item	Notes of Discussion
<p>1 Welcome and introductions (All)</p>	<p>Introductions made and group members advised that Pamela Morrison will take over as project manager for the group.</p>
<p>2 Note/ Matters arising (All)</p>	<p>Note from previous meeting agreed.</p> <p>Updates:</p> <p>-Restorative Justice: Pam Stott (Scottish Government) attended the group to provide an update on RJ. Action plan to be completed by the end of June 2019 and feedback is required from stakeholders. Group agreed to comment and feed back to Pam. Moving forward, working groups will be developed under three key areas (Access to restorative justice is available across Scotland; High quality restorative justice services are delivered by trained facilitators; There is a strong public awareness and understanding of restorative justice in Scotland) and members are asked to express an interest in becoming involved in these areas.</p> <p>The cost of training for RJ practitioners was highlighted as currently the course set up is around £600pp. This cost has the potential to prevent training across the workforce. It has been highlighted that the action plan does not mention resourcing.</p> <p>The involvement of young people in the action plan was highlighted as well as how RJ can be used within custodial settings. Acknowledged previous good work in this area in Cornton Vale.</p> <p>Agreed that in order to move forward local areas need champions to drive this.</p> <p>-Girls and Young Women SQA course:</p> <p>Up to Us are working towards delivering the course for their staff. There appears to be some confusion over how the course is run. One off meeting to be set up between SQA, CYCJ and interested centres to clarify this.</p> <p>-Mental Health Strategy and Taskforce update:</p> <p>At risk group subgroup of the Young People and Mental Health Task Force to meet for the fourth time next week, which LM will attend. LM confirmed that she would circulate an update to the group based on the aspects of mental health which fall to youth justice.</p>

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	<p>The Review of mental health in Polmont, as commissioned by the Cabinet Secretary for Justice, is due to be published later in the month.</p> <p>-Feedback from YJIB March 26 Two papers went to the YJIB for comment:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>SLCN paper</u> – Comments taken back to the subgroup to say what they can do/offer and action plan will be completed. Subgroup meeting arranged for 12th June. 2. <u>Common factors paper</u> – General consensus that this is a good paper although people felt more design work would be beneficial. Acknowledged the limitations of the group. LM to enquire about SG design agency and whether there is any opportunity there. MT to provide graphic from young person. Agreed that it will go out without further design asap and can consider design with the support of the YJIB at a later stage. Communication plan to be recirculated with the note of the meeting with a further ask for completion. CW and PM to discuss which members need further discussion with such as Police Scotland to encourage action. A conversation will also take place within CYCJ for how they can disseminate and publish the paper. 	
Actions	By Whom	Status
1. PM to circulate RJ action plan to the group	PM	Prior to the next meeting
2. One off meeting to be arranged in relation to Girls and Young women SQA course	PM	Prior to the next meeting
3. Mental health update to be circulated by LM	LM	Prior to the next meeting
4. Communication plan for common papers to be circulated with note of meeting	PM	Prior to the next meeting
5. GF and LM to get costs for design work	GF/LM	Prior to the next meeting
3 Update from Youth Justice Improvement Board	<p>Update from meeting on March 26. Acknowledged that there is a year left of the YJ strategy and agreement is needed on what areas to prioritise. Youth Justice Standards are currently being updated.</p> <p>16 & 17 year olds in the youth justice system – Legislative barrier currently means that young people on compulsory supervision orders are able to be referred to the Children’s Hearing System, where those not on CSOs cannot</p>	

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	<p>be. Youth Justice and Children’s Hearing System to progress this with Ministers to see if there is appetite for change. 18-25 year olds – Extending WSA – to go to the justice board. There is a need for the implementation groups to consider impact and evidence of the work they have produced over the last few years since the Strategy was published.</p>	
4/5 ILC workplan: what can be achieved?	<p>Group exercise looking at all six areas of the ILC workstream, considered the opportunities and challenges, identified priorities and limitations of the group. Group members were asked to look at the opportunities, challenges and what can be realistically be achieved before choosing their priority areas. This information will be collated and sent to the group for comment.</p>	
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6. Agree on what areas ILC group want to achieve in the final year of the YJ strategy	PM and CW	ASAP
6 Conclusion from Chair	<p>Input from Mairi Tulbure on Health and Well-being to be prioritised at next meeting as this was unable to be part of today’s meeting. All group members were thanked for their attendance and participation at the meeting and acknowledgment made to the competing demands of individuals work and responsibility.</p>	
13 Date of the next meeting	<p>2019 meeting dates: August 13, 10am: Level 1 Lord Hope Building November 11, 2pm: Level 1 Lord Hope Building</p>	