

Improving Life Chances Implementation Group – April 25, 2016

<p>In Attendance: Gill Robinson (Chair SPS); Debbie Nolan (CYCJ); Michelle Gibson (Skills Development Scotland); Olive Arens (Up to Us); Helen Jones (Barnardos); Angela Morgan (Includem); Janine Ryan (Action for Children); Audrey Baird (Good Shepherd Secure Unit); Liz Murdoch (SG Youth Justice); Ann Kivlin (Education Scotland); Iain Macaulay (NYJAG/North Lanarkshire Council); Alan McCloskey (Victim Support Scotland); Clare Collin (Community Safety Division); Craig Green (Glasgow Kelvin College)</p>		
<p>Apologies: Alison Melville (SG Youth Justice); Paolo Mazzoncini (SACRO); Alan Milliken (ADES); Jenny Leishman (Justice Analytical Service); Kay Fowlie (Child Health Commissioners)</p>		
	Agenda Item	Notes of Discussion
1	<p>Welcome and introductions (GR)</p>	<p>Craig Green welcomed as College rep and offered to provide a presentation on work of college with vulnerable young people; Robertson Trust rep to be identified; Aileen Bearhop and Audrey Sneddon will not attend group-Clare Collin will continue to attend.</p>
Actions		By Whom
<p>1. CG to update on his work</p> <p>2. Robertson Trust rep to be identified</p>		<p>CG</p> <p>GR</p>
		Status
		<p>At next meeting</p> <p>ASAP</p>
2	<p>Note/Matters arising/Workplan/Terms of Reference (All)</p>	<p>Note agreed. Matters arising: Community Planning Partnerships/Child Services Plans-letter from Youth Justice Improvement Board has been drafted and will be shared post-election; Consultation on statutory guidance deadline is 13/6/16; All plans are to be in place by 1/4/17 and updated every 3 years. School inclusion Part 2 feedback shared. AMo fed back on short life working group on developing national guidance for relevant services in relation to children at risk of becoming looked after etc under part 12 of the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014. Key change would appear to be family group decision making service. Opportunities for All subgroup-MG will chair; ToR, membership etc to be finalised; Alan Clifford (DWP) keen to be involved.</p>

		<p>Health-Agreed it would be useful for members to share information on the health needs profile of the population of young people they are working with; any examples of good practice; challenges/barriers to accessing services; and any evidence of impact on young people of being unable to access services because they are not assessed to be stable, including any gender breakdown of findings. North Lanarkshire have undertaken a survey in health issues for LAC. DN will issue proforma for guidance and collate responses. As required this can be fed into Male Youth Offender Health by GR.</p> <p>Workplan and action plan to be merged and updated following this meeting.</p> <p>Terms of Reference agreed.</p>
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<p>3. Part 12 presentation to be circulated and discuss with Louise Hill appropriate time to present to this group</p> <p>4. Opportunities for All subgroup to progress</p> <p>5. Health findings to be shared by each organisation</p> <p>6. Discussion with child health commissioners; update on school nurse review; cross over of service access from childhood to adulthood</p> <p>7. Updated workplan to be circulated</p>	<p>DN</p> <p>GR/MG All</p> <p>KF</p> <p>DN</p>	<p>With note of meeting</p> <p>Update at next meeting To DN by next meeting</p> <p>Carried forward/at next meeting Following note of meeting</p>
3	Update from Youth Justice Improvement Board (GR)	<p>Positive feedback was received on work and direction of this group. We need to be mindful of the risk of overlap of work of groups:</p> <p>WSA group chair and vice chair arrangements are changing; upskilling session held this week; and short life working group will be held on materials to support Children and Young People (Scotland) Act. Developing capacity and improvement-Link with this</p>

		<p>group important e.g. on how to best utilise school inclusion information.</p> <p>Update provided at Board on work of IVY; Children's Hearings Improvement Partnership (CHIP); role of youth justice in child sexual exploitation action plan; and Minimum Age of Criminal Responsibility consultation which is open until 10th June and Ian Fitheridge (Iain.Fitheridge@scotland.gsi.gov.uk) can share information on this.</p> <p>National Improvement Framework was also discussed. There is an important link to work of this group. Youth work could be key to maintaining engagement with education. Education Scotland had recently published a report on Youth Achievement Awards and and CLAD transitions contribution was relevant.</p> <p>GR will provide update to next Board meeting on Polmont postcode analysis-AK highlighted this will be useful for Education Scotland area lead officers.</p>
Actions	By Whom	Status
<p>8. IVY presentation to be shared</p> <p>9. National Improvement Framework to attend meeting of ILC Group</p> <p>10. Youth Achievement Award document to be shared</p> <p>11. Update on CLAD transitions work to be provided</p> <p>12. HMYOI Polmont statistics update</p>	<p>DN GR</p> <p>CG AK GR</p>	<p>With minute At an appropriate time</p> <p>With minute As appropriate After next YJIB meeting</p>
4	Draft action plan	<p>Presentation from Carole Dearie (CYCJ) on work of Vulnerable Girls and Young Women (VGYW) Champions Group</p> <p>Update provided on achievements of this group and risk of loss of this agenda highlighted. Ways of addressing this with the support of ILC include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotion of the significance of relationship-based practice, particularly for girls; • Supporting foster carers in understanding and meeting the needs of VGYW, and also Panel members and teachers – perhaps through videos;

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued promotion of Improving Practice for Girls training programme (with Developing Capacity group). This will supplement work of programme team and SQA; • Development of a checklist of what it means to be gender aware; • Research into girls' needs; their position as a "lost population" as behaviour is not as extreme or overt as males; and particularly on the use of and place of secure care. <p>AK suggested that this work would be a good theme for the Scottish Learning Festival session. DN will update the ILC workplan to include these points.</p> <p>Presentation from Alison Gough on work of National Secure Care Project</p> <p>Briefing paper shared and key themes identified as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental and emotional health and wellbeing; • Transitions and reintegration; • Sustainability and future of secure care. <p>Group acknowledged bridging gap between secure care and the community is fundamental. The role of sustained and early involvement of community-based services (including education, care, health, housing); evidenced based programmes; and relationships was highlighted. GR advised efforts to meet with housing are continuing. It was agreed data on young people who are in custody and have been in secure care would be useful and may be addressed through ongoing SPS statistical work or research aligned with the Secure Care Project. It was agreed further information on secure care project will continue to be shared; Alison Gough will consider how this Group can support her work; and she will attend a subsequent meeting to update on project.</p> <p>Presentation from Alan McCloskey on Victims and Community Confidence</p> <p>Presentation on 2011 research and work of the previous Victims and Community Confidence Group. It was agreed updating the previous proposals from the completed report via:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literature review update; • Reviewing the access to services pathway
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		<p>flowchart, including with any changes under the Whole System Approach, campus cops, NVP, Named Person etc</p> <p>May be a useful starting point and it could then be explored how this can feed into staff development, awareness etc. A key finding from the work was that support needs to be individualised.</p> <p>It was acknowledged restorative justice, media, intergenerational issues, and community confidence, including in respect of community-based alternatives, are further areas for focus of this group. These will not be lost but the above work will form a starting point.</p> <p>School inclusion proformas</p> <p>GR and AMi have met and have agreed how useful these templates could be. There is also a role for the Developing Capacity group in taking this forward. Any further case studies can still be shared and a common themes document has started to be developed.</p>
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<p>13. Presentations to be shared</p> <p>14. Information on Scottish Learning Festival and education sites such as GLOW etc to be shared</p> <p>15. Continue to pursue meetings with housing reps</p> <p>16. Meeting re: victims pathway template to be convened</p> <p>17. School inclusion case studies and common themes to be shared</p>	<p>DN AK</p> <p>GR GR</p> <p>All</p>	<p>With note of meeting ASAP</p> <p>Update at next meeting ASAP</p> <p>Any further contributions to DN by 20th May</p>
5	<p>Jackie Anders (Education Justice Initiative) meeting 2nd June 2-4pm</p>	<p>All group members invited to attend this meeting, which ties in well to the role and remit of this group. Jackie will be able to both give information on the Education Justice Initiative and is keen to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Whole System Approach, focusing particularly on the role of schools and education system in this; • How the WSA addresses common issues in multi-

		<p>agency collaboration, such as information sharing and different perspectives on role/responsibility;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The operation of WSA on the ground is there common practice across Scotland or much variation in different areas? • What are the enablers/barriers to good practice?
Actions	By Whom	Status
18. Attendance at above meeting tbc	All to DN	By 20 th May
6	Date of next meeting	To maximise attendance at the above it was agreed that the next meeting would take place on Thursday 2 nd June 10-1 at Lord Hope Building.