

**Advancing the Whole System Approach
Teams Meeting
March 30, 2022: 9.30am-11.30am
(Third meeting of the group)**

In Attendance: John Trainer – Chair (SWS C&F Standing Committee), Donna McEwan (CYCJ), Jenny Ward (SG), Adele Hill (CJVSF), Sharon MacIver (AFC), Stephen Bermingham (CHS), Jenny Hamilton (COPFS), Jane Donaldson (Police Scotland), Ross Gibson (CYCJ), Jackie Hardie (Scot Govt) ; Aime Jaffray (Alcohol & Drug Scot Govt).		
Apologies: Ranald McTaggart (NYJAG Rep, Renfrewshire); Liz Murdoch (SG), Mhairi Shewan (ADES), Kirsten Urquhart (Young Scot), Sarah Russell & Nicholas Smith (Alcohol & Drug Scot Govt), Neil Hunter (SCRA).		
Agenda Item		Notes of Discussion
1.	Welcome and introductions (JT)	Introductions completed.
2.	Note of last meeting	Accepted.
3.	Membership of group	No further members identified to approach at this time.
Actions	By Whom	Status
N/A	N/A	N/A
4.	Overview of Community Regional Mental Health development work (JH)	<p>JH (Clinical Project Manager) provided overview of the work she and Dr AB are progressing regarding in relation to Mental Health strategy and NSAIS. The plan for wider work also includes admission ward for yp with severe and complex learning disabilities/ difficulties (in West Lothian). Developing the links between community and NSAIS is significant aspect of this work. Pathways required into NSAIS and returning to the community. Part of this also about building intensive psychiatric care unit (ICPU) and availability next to adolescent units. It is envisioned the IPCU will be for children/ adolescents who require a more intensive level of care and support and may be a stepping-stone into and out of NSAIS.</p> <p>Alongside NSAIS, the IPCUs also looking at developing community hubs that will have CAMHS – LD as well as forensic specialists such as the Glasgow model. Envisioned these hubs will have ability/ capacity to provide advice to local areas across the country such as in the Glasgow model and the IVY model. Will provide support to tier 3 level CAMHS.</p> <p>Have also looked at young people in Polmont in relation to forensic pathways however appears that tier 3 or 2 will be able to meet the needs of most of these yp. However, considering what this means if children relocated to secure care rather than HMYOI Polmont, does this change the needs? Also need to understand the implications of shifting secure care population in relation to children from out with Scotland as they tended to have more complex needs, what would reduction of this group of children mean?</p> <p>Need to understand where work of this group and this MH work intersects? The developments in secure care re. Commissioning, shifting population and their needs etc.</p> <p>Mental health needs of Scottish children in secure care evidenced in census reports from 2018 &2019 from CYCJ.</p>
Actions	By Whom	Status
1. Circulate Census reports from CYCJ	DM (CYCJ)	By next meeting- May 30 th .
2. Standards for environ & restrictions re.MH low/ medium secure to be shared with group.	DM (CYCJ)	By next meeting- May 30 th .
3. Provide support to consider IVY learning in developing CAMHS hub models.	DM (CYCJ) & others as appropriate.	By next meeting- May 30 th .
4. Share details of secure care forum with JH	DM (CYCJ)	By next meeting- May 30 th .
5.	Priorities Action Plan & next steps (using Vision & Priorities Action Plan)- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offences for 16/17yrs • Diversion inc National Guidance implementation and practitioner connections (RG) 	<p>RG gave overview and update on developments and current supports in place for diversion. Practitioner's forum established and supported by practitioners and COPFS. Since updated guidance published in April 2020, sig increase in diversion for all groups; with presumption for 16&17yrs to be diverted and overall position that diversion considered where need identified. The updated guidance from 2020 highlighted broadening of offences and context where diversion considered however, LAs concerned re. level of potential risk of harm being held in diversion cases. SWS Standing Committee sub-group exploring this and RG questioned how WSA group can support this?</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Court Support & assoc elements – baselining and agreeing approach • Data 	<p>Will also be a thematic inspection of diversion by partners in the national Strategic Scrutiny Group (SSG).</p> <p>Particular issues highlighted –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • re. 16/17yrs- children being taken off CHS Orders and view can access things through diversion that can't get through SW. • Impact on funding by increase in diversion cases- less CJSWRs / CPOs. • How to free up staff to deliver interventions irrespective of which part of system comes into- div/ CJSWRs & CPOs/ Licence. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Potential that diversion not available to all individuals in certain areas if they cannot provide effective services. Thus, some individuals may be suitable but not able to be offered diversion due to lack of appropriate services. <p>Brief discussion re. Offences 16/17years – outstanding activity from previous WSA group. Issues re. limitations to what can be dealt with through EEI (equivalent as what can be dealt with by police direct measures for adults/ recordable police warning) and Lord Advocates Guidelines. Subsequently, perception that some being referred to COPFS which could be responded to through EEI. In addition, with increase in age to SCRA likely to be part of Care & Justice Bill will this have any affect. Discussion has taken place regarding this area of focus.</p> <p>Acknowledged this is an area, which was focus for previous WSA group. The outstanding issues are longstanding and require systemic, procedural as well as physical structural changes some of which may be out with group power to influence.</p> <p>Main areas of need identified are-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where children held in cells- court & police when appearing from custody; as well as how enter buildings from remand; transport when remanded. • Consistent identification of under 18s at court to enable court support to be offered. • Communication between agencies – PF to SW/ Police to SW/ SW to PF/ SW to Court SW <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Notifications of undertakings/ custody appearances / cited (custody appearances easiest to identify where processes are in place and examples where is embedded; some areas notified of undertakings previously). • Disparity in provision of court support nationally. • Timing of appearing in court which includes- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ prioritising marking of cases where child accused as can impact time waiting to appear ○ Timescales for cases going through court <p>Work between SCRA & COPFS looking at how police record decisions to jointly report and the timeframe for decision making in jointly reported cases.</p> <p>Points re. communication likely to be addressed through agreements in place for the implementation of EM bail from 17/5 as COPFS will notify of bail opposed to initiate supervised bail and potential EM bail assessments. Also linking with SCTS in relation to areas of need highlighted.</p>
Actions	By Whom	Status
5. Link with sub-group to see how WSA can support SWS Justice sub-group on this work. 6. Info to re. diversion inputs to be shared with 7. Further discussion out with meeting between JH & DM re. points raised.	DM & RG (CYCJ) RG (CYCJ) JH (COPFS) & DM(CYCJ)	Update for next meeting May By next meeting May. Update next meeting, May.
6.	Brief Updates- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alt to secure/Custody sub-group • EEI • CARM training feedback 	Updates to be incorporated into next meeting alongside WSA tracker review.
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8. Carried forward to next meeting.	DM (CYCJ)	Next meeting May.
7.	Risks & Exceptions	Will review these at next meeting using WSA tracker to identify risks to progress and barriers preventing or inhibiting this as well as potential solutions.

		Consideration of synergies with Care & Justice Bill as well as UNCRC Incorporation with this groups focus and what may mean for this work.
Action	By Whom	Status
9. WSA tracker to be circulated with next meeting papers.	DM (CYCJ)	Send with papers for next meeting at least a week in advance.
8.	Focus of next meeting	Review Vision & Priorities Action Plan to measure progress of the group towards outcomes.
Action	By Whom	Status
10. Use tracker to identify actions for group.	Chair	Next meeting, May.
9.	AOB/ Date of next meeting	Wed 25 th May 9.30am-11.30am on teams
Action	By Whom	Status
N/A	N/A	N/A