



# WELLINGBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP

*the Local Strategic Partnership for Wellingborough*

## MINUTES

*DRAFT – subject to approval at next meeting*

<b>MEETING</b>	Children & Young People Theme Group
<b>MEETING DATE</b>	Monday 31 January 2008 at 3pm in the Committee Room at Swanspool House
<b>PRESENT</b>	Hugh Fenton, Chair (LSP Chair), Alison Barlow (Northamptonshire County Council (NCC) Youth Service), Helen Bradshaw (Prevention through Learning Programme Manager), Stephanie Canning (Northamptonshire Teaching Primary Care Trust), Steve Carpenter (NCC Schools), Jane Deamer (Service Six), Julian Elkington (Connexions), Vanessa Forbes (Hatton Extended Schools Partnership), Saeed Ghinai (Connexions), Cllr. Eileen Higgins (Borough Council of Wellingborough (BCW)), Moira Hope (BCW), Catherine Mackenzie (Libraries), Lyn Martin-Bennison (Chief Executive, BCW), Paula Orr (NCC, Children and Young People), Terry Pearson (Drug & Alcohol Action Team (DAAT)), Cllr. Maureen Shram (BCW & NCC), William Thallon (Wrenn School / Wellingborough Education Partnership), Dawn Vessey (C&YP Change Manager designate), Anne Waterman (Sure Start), Jonny Whitmore (Youth Café)
<b>APOLOGIES</b>	Gill Chapman (WBC), Peter Hook (Connexions), Michael Robinson (NCC Extended Services), Joe Hubbard (BCW), Katie Sheldrick (DATT),

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1.	The Chair welcomed those present and introductions were made. Hugh Fenton explained that he was chairing today as this was Peter Hook's last day working for Connexions. He thanked Peter for the contribution that he had made to the Wellingborough Partnership	
2.	<b>Minutes &amp; matters arising from last meeting</b> The minutes were approved as a true record. Matters arising were covered at appropriate point in the agenda	
3.	<b>Prevention through Learning Programme (PTLP)</b> (Helen Bradshaw) Helen made a presentation on PTLP and what is planned in Wellingborough, a copy is attached to the minutes.  The introduction of the programme into Wellingborough was welcomed.  Helen was currently seeking a based for the co-location of 3 staff in Wellingborough and asked for suggestions. Lyn Martin-Bennison offered to check and advise on space in the Borough Council's offices.	LM-B

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4.	<p><b>Positive Programmes</b> (Julian Elkington) Julian explained the programme now being extended into Wellingborough. A copy of the explanation booklet is attached.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The focus of the programme is on those young people with 3 risk factors</li> <li>• Year 11 summer open door programmes are being planned, subject to funding.</li> <li>• The booklet shows the success in Anti-Social Behaviour reduction of the programme in Corby.</li> <li>• Places available / allocated on the programmes depend on funding and need.</li> <li>• Eileen Higgins expressed concern that the programme could be seen as rewarding those behaving badly.</li> <li>• It was essential to ensure that the summer programme compliment, not conflicted with, that already planned in the Borough.</li> </ul> <p>The introduction of the Positive Programmes was welcomed</p>	
5.	<p><b>Integrated Youth Offer / Targeted Youth Support</b> (Hugh Fenton)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Change Manager – Dawn Vessey had been appointed and starts after the school “Easter” break at 50% full time until the Autumn half term. She will be based at the Education Partnership offices at Weavers School.</li> <li>• The Youth Strategy was out for full consultation until the end of May. Copies had been circulated and it could be downloaded for the Partnership website – <a href="http://www.wellingboroughpartnership.org">www.wellingboroughpartnership.org</a>. Dawn would be working on filling out the action plan when her secondment started. The Strategy would come to the next C&amp;YP Theme Group Meeting to recommend it for approval by the Partnership Steering Group in July.</li> <li>• Focus was now to move to Targeted Youth Support. Dawn would be investigating the issues, and finding solutions, to implementation of individual plans following Common Assessment Frameworks (CAFs).</li> <li>• Paula Orr suggested the CAFs be a regular agenda item. This was agreed.</li> </ul>	DV HF
6.	<p><b>Early years/Extended services</b> (Anne Waterman for Michael Robinson) Anne reported Michael's e mailed report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NCC has received the first draft of its County Childcare Sufficiency assessment. Once there is a specific Wellingborough section of this ready for consultation I would like to distribute this to partners within this group for comments. With these meetings only being quarterly, it is likely that the consultation will happen in between meetings. However I would propose that I report on this at the next meeting. Please could you ask if attendees would prefer this in the form of an information paper or presentation. <i>Meeting agreed a paper.</i></li> <li>• NCC has volunteered to pilot the development of 0-7 partnerships mentioned in the Department for Children Families and Schools (DCFS) Childrens Plan. I had hoped to be able to bring a paper / presentation to this meeting around how we wished to take this forward and how it could link into (probably by sitting under) this group. Unfortunately the strategic lead on this at DCFS, who we had initial conversations / discussions (who we would have developed proposals / terms of reference for consideration by Wellingborough</li> </ul>	MR

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	<p>LSP CYP sub group) has been pulled off this and onto another piece of work in the short term. However, can this be mooted as an agenda item for the next meeting as hopefully there will have been progression between now and then around this.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Childrens Centres- All evolving / developing quite well. If you didn't mention it in your agenda item, really think it is worth celebrating what you have achieved re the "What's on" publication and possibly the work Phillipa is undertaking."</li> </ul>	MR
7.	<p><b>Sure Start/Children's Centres report</b> (Anne Waterman) Anne gave a presentation, a copy of which is attached</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SSW working with 3 CCs – Croyland, Oakway, Highfield</li> <li>• Joint newsletter being produced + what's on calendar (on website – <a href="http://www.surestartcentrewellingborough.co.uk">www.surestartcentrewellingborough.co.uk</a>. Joint funding will be need next year for it to continue</li> <li>• Midwifery input concerns resolved.</li> <li>• Under the wider Childrens Centres brand, a new name will need to be found for SureStart Wellingborough.</li> <li>• With more Childrens Centres being created in the County, there are recruitment difficulties.</li> </ul>	
8.	<p><b>Wellingborough Education Partnership (WEP)</b> (William Thallon) William reported on progress.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The partnership included all town centre schools, including special schools, and Tresham College.</li> <li>• Adele Phillips &amp; David Lindsley are operating as joint coordinators.</li> <li>• A 7 strand Action Plan has been drafted and is being worked up</li> <li>• The "transition" plan is first to be actioned – reducing the achievement drop between education stages.</li> <li>• Steve Carpenter reminded the meeting that the WEP had been primarily set up the increase educational attainment.</li> <li>• The reason why Wollaston School, and its feeder schools, were not included is part size, part distance and part not wishing to be involved.</li> <li>• Adele and David to be asked to make a presentation on the action plans at the next meeting.</li> </ul> <p>On the safer schools initiative, William reported that linkages with each schools local PCSO (Police Community Support Offices) had been established. Further contact by the School Heads with Ali Reynolds, Area Police Inspector, were planned.</p>	HF  WT / AR
9.	<p><b>Information round-up</b> <b>AG:</b> Saaed report that the full year NEET (Not in Employment, Education or Training) for Young People in Wellingborough was &lt;5.9% i.e. under the County target. <b>JW:</b> Jonny advised that the Youth Café in the town centre was due to open in May <b>JE:</b> Julian asked for those running summer programmes to contact him. <b>AB:</b> Alison offered a report on Youth Service progress at the next meeting.</p>	ALL AB

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	<p><b>MH:</b> Moira advised that the “Body for Life” programme for 8-13yo was due to start in September.</p> <p><b>SC:</b> Stephanie announced that the Wellingborough Well Being Centre will be based at the library and launched on 22 April.</p> <p><b>MS:</b> Maureen asked that if anyone had a topic for the County Council scrutiny to contact her.</p> <p><b>JD:</b> Jane announced that Service Six were launching an Anti-Bullying initiative on 6 May in Northampton. Ester Rantzen would be there.</p> <p><b>CM:</b> Catherine said that the library was looking for teenager to help in a reading programme. Alison is to ask Sam Ward if the Youth Reference group members would be interested.</p> <p><b>VF:</b> Vanessa noted that the Hatton Partnership Community meeting was to be held on Wednesday 2 April at 1.30pm – all welcome.</p> <p><b>TP:</b> Terry advised that DAAT tier 1 &amp; 2 needs assessments were complete. Those for special needs were progressing.</p> <p><b>HF:</b> Hugh reminded all about the Partnership Conference on 18 April. He also advised that Dawn would be working on the “Youth Offer” fair planned to visit all Secondary Schools in September.</p>	ALL
10.	<p><b>Future Chairing Arrangements</b></p> <p>Hugh Fenton announced that, due to reduction in Central Government funding, Connexions having to reduce there activity. One such reduction was the time and input of a Senior Manager to the Wellingborough Partnership.</p> <p>The Partnership will be reviewing its structure in light of the requirements to deliver the refreshed Community Plan. This would include the place left vacant on the Steering Group, the role and chair of this group and the linkage from this group to the Steering Group. This organisation review was not due for completion until July. Hugh would thus chair the June meeting.</p>	
	<p><b>Future meetings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 23 June 2008, 3.00 pm, Swanspool</li> <li>• 6 October 2008, 3.00 pm, Swanspool</li> </ul>	