

**EAST AYRSHIRE OFFICER LOCALITY GROUP FOR
CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE**

MEETING ROOM 1, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD

WEDNESDAY 13 MAY 2009

ATTENDANCE

Kay Gilmour, Head of Service: Community Support (Chair)
Susan Taylor, Head of Service: Children & Families & Criminal Justice
Jim Lyon, Principal Officer Children & Young People
Janie Allen, Principal Officer (Early Education and Childcare)
Cathy Roarty, Lead Public Health Practitioner, NHS
Katie Kelly, Community Health Partnership Facilitator
Sharon Hardie, Health Promotion Manager
Carol Fisher, Health Care Manager, Mental Health
Angie Bennett, Acting Leisure Development Manager
Trixie Sheddon, Barrhead Fire Station
Danny Stuart, Strathclyde Police Liaison Officer

APOLOGIES

Karen McCracken, Homeless Operations Manager
Brian Cameron, Careers Scotland Manager
Andrew Sutherland, Head of Service: Schools
May Dunsmuir, Children's Reporter
Joanne Sharp, Health Care Manager, Children, Women & Sexual Health Services
Claire Armstrong, Operations Manager CAMHS NHS

Kay Gilmour welcomed everyone to the meeting and Trixie Sheddon, Barrhead Fire Station to her last meeting of the Officer Locality Group before she retires.

1. NOTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING

The note of the last meeting was agreed with the undernoted amendments:
Page 3 item: paragraph to read:

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Point (ii) should read "Joanne had further requested that use of what had previously been the Changing Children's Services Fund should be discussed at the Locality Group on an regular basis".

Governance Arrangements

Cathy Roarty and Sharon Hardie were asked to send information to Kay Gilmour in respect of further proposed amendments.

PRESENTATIONS

Kay Gilmour gave a presentation on the Early Years Framework. Jim Lyon also gave a presentation on We Can and Must Do Better.

Some general points were made regarding both presentations:

- The challenges associated with the Early Years Framework in the

ACTION

absence of additional resources.

- The need to recognise that older young people still require services
- The issue of reconfiguring resources
- Practical ICT issues in respect of the We Can and Must Do Better DVD
- Broader issues of corporate parenting

Corporate Parenting Action Plan to be considered at next meeting

Susan Taylor

Both presentations are attached with the minute.

2. LOOKING AFTER EVERY CHILD: AYRSHIRE AND ARRAN CHILD HEALTH STRATEGY

It was agreed that colleagues would submit comments on the Strategy to Cathy Roarty before 29 May in order for a response to be submitted from the Officer Locality Group.

Cathy Roarty

Carole Fisher indicated that she would be happy to update the next meeting regarding Mental Health.

Carol Fisher

Discussion took place regarding a presentation for the next meeting on the Primary Care Strategy.

Katie Kelly

3. EXCLUSIVE BREAST FEEDING AND INTRODUCTION OF SOLID FOODS

East Ayrshire have been involved and linked with Partners in Early Years Service regarding CEL 36. Cathy Roarty provided a breakdown of how funding has been distributed.

Cathy Roarty

Kay Gilmour indicated that part of her interest was in relation to supporting the Dietician Service roll out the work in Hillside Special School to other establishments.

Updated report requested for the next meeting.

4. PARENTING SUPPORT ACTION PLAN

Stuart Bates and Janie Allen presented a report on the Action Plan and the Solihull Approach. Leisure Services were also asked to join the group.

Stuart Bates/Janie Allen

It was agreed that the Solihull approach would be rolled out. The overall Action Plan for parenting support was agreed.

5. STRUCTURE TO IMPROVE HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Katie Kelly presented an update on the development of the structure. Amendments were made to the proposed structure.

Katie Kelly

It was further agreed that the report to the CHP Committee should include a section on reviews.

6. ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT

Agreed.

7. FOR NOTING

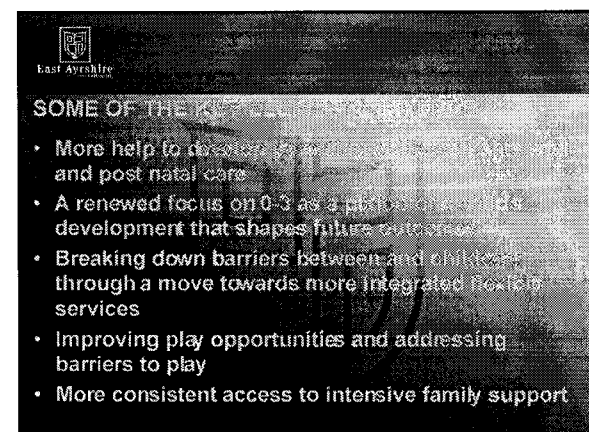
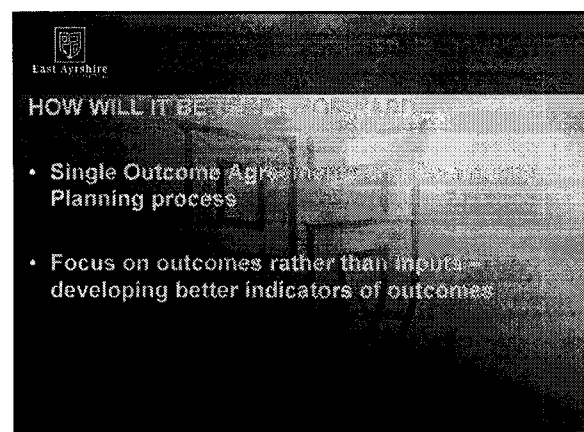
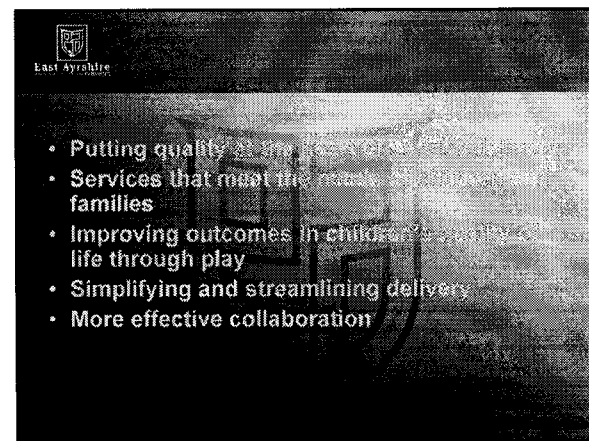
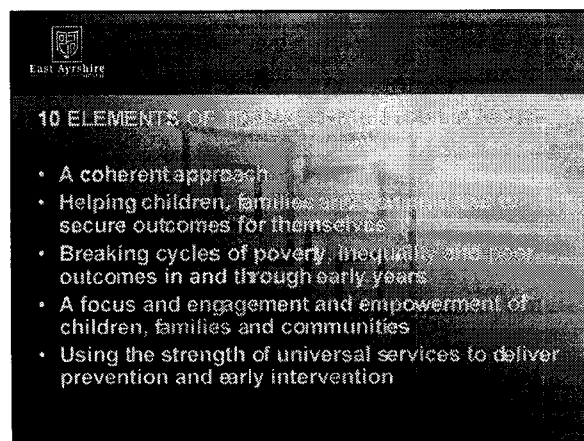
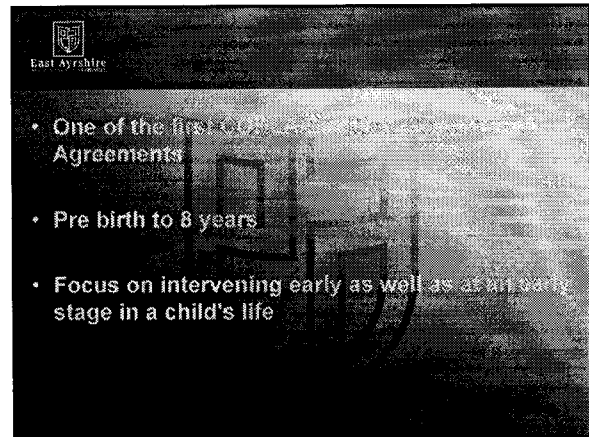
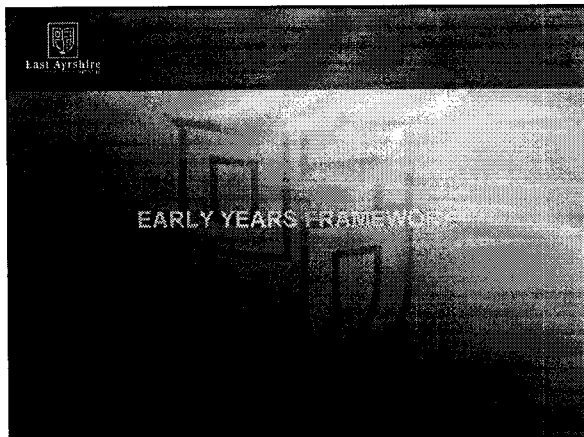
- CAMHS Mental Health in Scotland
- ADAT The Road to recovery: Promoting Recovery in Ayrshire and Arran

FUTURE ITEMS

- Children and young people's mental health (1/7/09)
- Primary Care Strategy (1/7/09)
- CEL 36 (1/7/09)
- Corporate Parenting (1/7/09)
- Annual review Children and Young Person Service Plan (1/7/09)
- Role of voluntary sector (Autumn)
- Preventing Youth Offending (Autumn)

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 1 July 2009 at 10.00am in Meeting Room 1, Council Headquarters London Road.



- More help with recruitment and retention
- Nurseries, schools and other providers working in their role in family and community planning
- Adult services such as housing, food banks, development planning putting a greater focus on the needs of young children and family
- Developing common values on the workforce and enhancing workforce skill
- Building on work already in progress through Getting it Right For Every Child in Curriculum for Excellence

- No additional resources
 - Reconfiguring and reprioritising
- Transformational change?
- What outcomes do we already know about?
- How will we know we have made a difference?
 - Do we have to collect our information differently?

WHAT IS ALREADY HAPPENING?

- Level of qualifications of the childcare workforce
- Integrated packages of care for young children aged 3 and under
- Percentage of children age 5 years or no sign of dental decay
- A rate of increase in the proportion of children with a body mass index outwith a healthy range

- Building parenting capability in 2016/17 post birth
- Proportion of children living in poverty dependant on but of work based on Universal Credits
- Percentage of pregnant women smoking in the most deprived areas reduced
- Rate of women exclusively breast feeding at 8-8 weeks in areas displaying the lowest rates
- The number of child protection re-registrations in a year

Looked After Children and Young People

Background

Learning with Care: Drive to improve educational outcomes for all LAC
support materials issued May 2001
• Impact inconsistent

We can and must do better report (Jan 2007)

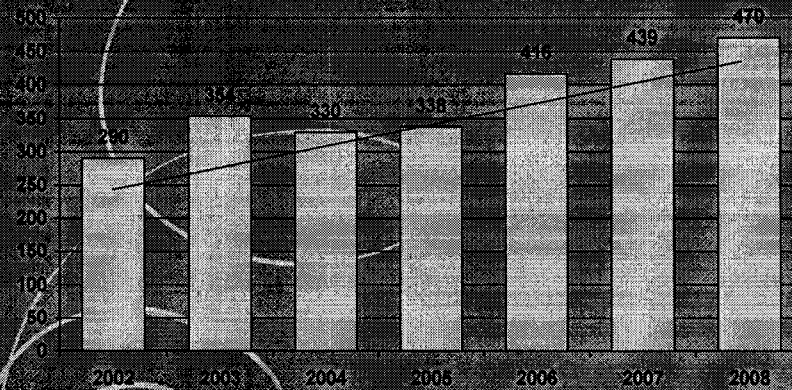
"Second best is not good enough" – Drive to improve life outcomes for all LAC

Corporate parenting
Learning and Development
Designated Senior Manager



looked after children

Looked After Children as at 31st March 2008



looked after children

Attainment

| No of 16/17 year olds | | 2006/07 | 2007/08 |
|--|--------------|------------|-----------|
| Leaving care | EAC | 38 | 24 |
| With English and maths at Foundation level or better | EAC | 21.1% (8) | 29.2% (7) |
| | Comparator | 32.6% | 37.3% |
| | National Av. | 36.3% | 37.9% |
| With any award at Foundation level or better | EAC | 39.5% (15) | 50% (12) |
| | Comparator | 47% | 55% |
| | National Av. | 54% | 58.8% |



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Attendance/Exclusions

| Whole group | 2005/06 | 2006/07 | 2007/08 |
|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Attendance | 68.79 | 67.55 | 70.9 |
| Exclusions | 99 | 134 | 39 |
| Openings lost | 677 | 578 | 234 |
| Core group | | | |
| Attendances | 66.95 | 69.14 | 76.65 |
| Exclusions | 55 | 74 | 13 |
| Openings lost | 353 | 233 | 98 |



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Learning and Development

The Designated Manager

- should, as appropriate, regularly attend multi-agency training courses relating to looked after children and young people.
- is an advisor for establishment staff on issues to do with looked after children and young people, including their role as corporate parents to all the looked after children and young people within the establishment.
- should ensure that staff receive appropriate access to training, information, time and support for their work with looked after children and young people.



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Meeting the needs of looked after children and young people

The designated senior manager

- must liaise closely with other school staff, parents/carers, social work services staff and other agency personnel involved with the child or young person, to ensure **co-ordinated support arrangements** are in place to maximise the child or young person's learning potential.
- must ensure that the educational needs of the looked after children and young people in their establishment are clearly identified and that the **appropriate support plans** are in place, and that these plans are closely linked to the child or young person's care plan.
 - *Additionally, closely monitor the implementation of these plans. The monitoring of attainment, achievement, attendance and exclusion statistics in relation to the looked after children and young people in their establishment will be an essential component of this process.*



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Meeting the needs of looked after children and young people The designated senior manager

- must ensure that looked after children and young people with **additional support needs** have appropriate **ASL** assessment and planning in place and that these are reflected in **care planning** documentation.
- must ensure that there is an appropriate input to all **statutory care plan reviews** and Children's Hearings.
 - *In addition, may also be asked to contribute to other meetings regarding looked after children and young people, e.g. risk assessment/management meetings, informal planning meetings, etc.*

Looked After Children

- Where are we now:
 - Training
 - National
 - Local
 - Planning
 - Seminar for Corporate Management Team
 - Seminar for Elected Members
 - Seminar for Community Planning Partners
 - Briefings for HT's
 - Training for Designated Senior Managers

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- What next
 - Discuss the publication of the Resource Guide
 - Accessible DSM List
 - Roll out to staff: DSM's & Multi Agency
 - DVD: 20 Units of various training materials
 - Strengthening of Care Planning System



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Looked after children
training materials

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- Questions



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