

Minutes
Children and Young Peoples Forum
19th November 2009 @ The Forum
2-4PM

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ORGANISATION</u>
1. Matt Horne	Charlton Athletic Community Trust
2. Judy Smith	Central Eltham Youth Project
3. U. Grant	Right Choice Project
4. Miles Openshaw	Green Shoes Arts
5. Michelle Brither	Right Choice Project
6. Mireille Kasonga	Children Hope Forever
7. Banjo Aromolaran	Right Choice Project
8. Bridget Higginson	Volunteer Centre Greenwich
9. Satchidh Anantha	Greenwich and Bexley Tamil Association
10. Caroline Brealey	Greenwich MENCAP
11. Laura Dalrymple	Greenwich MENCAP
12. Hussein Abdillahi	Somali Parents Network
13. Sue Parker	Greenwich Pre-School leaving Alliance
14. Clay Ujanga	Mama Africa
15. Galina Clark	SERIS Friendship
16. Julie Raven	Greenwich NAS
17. Hugh Ridsill-Smith	Greenwich Youth for Christ
18. Janet Plummer	Aspire Creativity
19. Tracy Russell	Children's Services
20. Sheila Norris	Children's Services
21. Naomi Goldberg	GAVS

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| 22. Megan Packham | Samuel Montagu Youth Club |
| 23. Catherine Pinhorn | Pindrop Theatre |
| 24. Ellen Strachan | The Woodlands Farm Trust |
| 25. Sulieman Mohammed | Website Organisation |
| 26. Sarah Moloney | GAVS |

Apologies, Welcome and Introductions

Naomi Goldberg

1. Children's Trust Commissioning for Outcomes Framework – Sheila Norris

- SN presented the draft Children's Trust commissioning for outcomes framework. The draft had been agreed with the Children's Services' Strategic Partnership and shared with the Children's Trust Board in September 2009. Board members had been invited to comment on the draft. The voluntary sector representatives on the Board were GAVS and the Multi Faith Forum. Discussion at the GAVS forum would inform decisions on the new framework.
- The framework set out the proposed approach to commissioning across the Children's Trust to support delivery of the Children and Young People Plan 2008-11. It set out a commissioning cycle, drawing on government best practice guidance, principles and standards. It was outcomes-focussed and assumed that the same standards were expected from statutory, third and private sector providers. In response to questions, SN confirmed that creating a level playing field required commissioners to work with the third sector to build capacity of existing and potential providers. Examples of this were:
 - i. publicising safeguarding and safer recruitment training to the sector with places ringfenced for third sector organisations;
 - ii. commissioning a GAVS development executive to support the sector that worked with children and young people.
- SN confirmed that the framework had been developed with input from Gulten Fedayi and reflected the Council's approach to third sector commissioning.
- SN noted comments and a deadline for receiving these via GAVS was agreed.

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- On voluntary sector grant 2010-11, SN stated that decisions had been made about recommendations to Cabinet. Organisations which would stand to lose funding in 2010-11 (due to the end of an additional funding stream or the completion of projects) had already been notified by telephone. Letters to all providers confirming recommendations on rollover would issue by November 25th 2009.

Action Point

SM to send around commissioning framework and comments should be returned by the 4th December 2009 to GAVS.

2. Tracy Russell Head of Inclusion - Aiming Higher For Disabled Children.
 - TR explained that Children's Services and PCTs were in receipt of time-limited grants to support the Aiming High for Disabled Children agenda.
 - There were a number of strands to this, with the initial focus being on short breaks that provided not just respite for parents but good quality and age-appropriate activities for children and young people. These covered evening, weekend, overnight and holiday provision. They could take place in the family home or elsewhere. They could be delivered through universal or targeted provision.
 - Commissioning priorities were being set by the Children's Trust informed by a needs analysis and consultation with children, young people and parents. The aim was to meet the needs identified through that process and target the families who did not currently access, or were less well served by, existing short breaks provision.
 - Participation by families and children in informing planning and evaluation of services was on-going. This was written into service specifications for providers. In addition parents could feed in views through the Community Consultation Groups and the new Parents' Forum commissioned by the Children's Trust.
 - Presentation given by Greenwich Toy and Leisure Library from both a Parents and Organisational viewpoint.
 - IYSS discussion took place

- Action point Naomi Goldberg and Sarah Moloney to meet with Mick Price to

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Discuss Service Level Agreements, Monitoring and Payments and to feed back to groups as soon as discussion has taken place.



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