

Greenwich Action for Voluntary Service

CYP Plan Forum

4/11/10 2-3:30pm Clockhouse Community Centre

Minutes

Present:

Alozie Benson Blessed Generation
Judy Smith CEYP/Outside In/SMYC
Chris Rees GAVS

Bethan Rickard Greenwich Carers Centre
Sheila Norris Greenwich Children's Services

Liz Hannah Greenwich Mencap Julie Raven Greenwich NAS

Pat Gardner Greenwich Toy & Leisure Library

David Kaiyewu Listening Ears
Toyin Ogumbanjo Listening Ears
Said Mohamed Somali Parents Network

Saiid Sheilah Somali Parents Network
Ramesh Beharry-Bhudial Walpole Estate M'ment Cmte

Leah DaviesYMCA Thames GatewayMickey JulesYMCA Thames GatewayLouis SilcottYMCA Thames Gateway

1.	Welcome & introductions	CR & SN
2.	Presentation – 'New Children & Young People Plan 2011-14'	SN
	 Queries/comments made during the presentation: Problems with obesity should be tackled in schools. To successfully tackle obesity do we need to provide children with more Gyms/physical activities, or is it an attitude problem? It is important to link bullying to gang membership. Safer Schools officers to play a role. How will new CYPP address forthcoming change in school leaving age? What part will Surestart play – will its approach change? 	



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	 Concerns made regarding capacity of statutory teams in light of CSR (example given of Children & Disability team). 	
3.	Groupwork – Top 5 Objectives	SN
	Participants were divided into 2 groups and asked to prioritise top 5 objectives:	
	Group 1	
	 We make the best use of all our resources to improve outcomes Fewer children are at risk of significant harm as a result of parental substance misuse 	
	 All young people leaving school move into education, employment or training 	
	All children and young people will lead healthy lives	
	 We recruit and develop a skilled workforce with ambitious leaders 	
	Group 2	
	School Age	
	 More young people are making a positive contribution to their school or community 	
	 All young people leaving school move into education, employment or training 	
	Family	
	 We work with parents, children and young people to shape the services that affect children's lives 	
	 Disabled children and their families enjoy short breaks that meet their needs 	
	We provide parents and young people with high quality IAG Health	
	 Health LAC and care leavers are emotionally and mentally healthy 	
	All children and young people will lead healthy lives	
	Safe	
	 All children and young people will be safe at home and in their communities 	
	Fewer young people enter into crime including group offending	
4.	Conclusion	CR & SN
	Discussed onward planning – engaging stakeholders now as most likely to influence Plan while objectives still under consideration but will not be closed until Jan 2011 when full Plan drafted. Draft will cover	



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objectives in more detail.

Opportunities for groups to send views direct to LA or via GAVS. Representatives on the Children's Trust Board and Children's Services Strategic Partnership.

SN passed out additional handouts including priorities, objectives and newly developed structure of plan.

GAVS promoted CYP Plan webpage – currently holds all relevant documents and will be regularly updated. GAVS always keen to hear from groups or to field queries regarding the CYP Plan process. GAVS will continue to support groups to engage and feedback into process.

Further discussion:

- Suggestion that it would be helpful to include list of 'stakeholders' in the final plan. SN said this would be clear from membership of the Children's Trust board, which would be shown.
- Many people in the community would like to feed into this plan.
 Discussion regarding capacity challenges of meeting with everyone in the community to go through plan.

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

- 1. CR to clarify school leaving age policy, include in next CYP bulletin.
- 2. CR to look into adapting current CYP Plan documentation to help facilitate feedback from groups.
- 3. GAVS to update CYP Plan website with new paperwork.
- 4. GAVS to continue to disseminate and promote all opportunities for groups to feed into CYP Plan development.
- 5. Groups to consider how to reach their stakeholders in the community to get their views

Glossary

CEYP - Central Eltham Youth Project

SMYC – Samuel Montagu Youth Centre

NAS – National Autistic Society

CSR – Comprehensive Spending Review

IAG - Information, Advice and Guidance

LAC - Looked After Children



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