



Wiltshire Children & Families Voluntary Sector Forum

Minutes

Date: 27/07/2021
 Time: 9.30 am
 Venue: Virtual forum via Zoom

Attendees	Apologies
Angela Brennan (Chair) Liz James - Barnardos Linda Cantillion-Guyatt – Wessex Community Action Vanessa Bedford – Alabare Margaret Winskill - Healthwatch Wiltshire Margaret Firth – Wiltshire Community Foundation Heather Philpotts – Julian’s House Darren Foulger – Wiltshire Police Rhys Schell – Wiltshire Council Natalie Huggins – Motiv8	Trudy Srawley - Wiltshire Parent Carer Council Stephanie Davis – Wiltshire Council Kate Sian Merriott – Relate Wilts & Dorset Sonia Carr- Wiltshire Racial Equality Council Dawn Whiting – Community First Jane Butler – Wiltshire Community Foundation Gareth Wood (Minute-taker)
	Yasmin Ellis - Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service Vicky Harker – MOD Vicky Watt – RISE Trust Lisa Capon – Victim Support Damian Haajes – Wiltshire Wildlife Trust Jacqui Radford – Carer Support Wiltshire Natasha Flintoff – AWS Vicky - AWS

Item		Who
1.	Welcome No AOB or Conflicts of interest raised.	Chair All
2.	Introduction from new Chair – Angela Brennan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gave thanks to Exec and Wessex Community Action. - Had a good handover with previous Chair, Tony Griffin. - Been busy since starting as Chair; met with Exec, attended FACT Operational Board meeting and met with programme lead. - Pointed out that the programmed lead is not a purely Wiltshire Council employee but part funded by Police & Health. 	Chair
3.	Talk on SWIFT: Swindon and Wiltshire Intervention for Families to Thrive <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rolled out from Swindon and originally focussed on early intervention. - There was a gap between young people on cusp of crime and those already involved with the judicial system. - Used by Wiltshire Police to support families that may require early 	PC Darren Foulger

		<p>intervention.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Office is assigned to a young person to help create bespoke goals with them. - The scheme covers all of County plus Swindon with 2 coordinators one for County and one for Swindon. - Takes referrals from MASH (Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub) The criteria is for young people 8-15 years old and not involved with any statutory services. Swift is a consent based system – have to agree to engage. - Doesn't accept those with who attend special educational needs schools needs or involved with CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service) - Currently working with 28 young people in the West of the county. - Can help as a one off with youths involved with a social worker. - Where does race come into things? - Work with school in Trowbridge – racist incident in community. - You've given West numbers but what about rest of county? - East – 24, North – a few, Salisbury – a few. - To do with County Lines? - Not going to kid myself that it's not to do with County Lines in West. - You won't accept young people in receipt of CAMHS. We're involved with people pre-CAMHS, would you accept referrals from us? - Don't want to duplicate work which is why we don't accept. Do put referral through though. Can refer through MASH. - Add on to your referral to MASH that you would like it to be referred to SWIFT. - SWIFT about preventing children being victims of crime. Special educational needs children very likely to be victims of crime. Why won't SWIFT work with special educational needs children? - Already have support in school. If they want support from SWIFT, can go in to PHSE lessons. - Do work with special educational needs if they're in mainstream education. - SWIFT would be spread too thin if they tried to support everyone. - Pre-triage before they reach SWIFT. People that don't have other support reach them. 	<p>Sonia Carr</p> <p>PDF</p> <p>Linda Cantillion-Guyatt</p> <p>PDF</p> <p>LCG</p> <p>PDF</p> <p>Liz James</p> <p>PDF</p> <p>Stephanie Davis</p> <p>Trudy Srawley</p> <p>PDF</p>
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4.		<p>Area Boards, Funding and the Community Engagement Team at Wiltshire Council</p> <p>A copy of the presentation that Rhys Schell gave can be found here.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Area boards are delegated committees from Council and vehicles to develop local decision making. - Their key role is getting community involved. - When people think Area Board they think Area Board Meeting – trying to get the vision a bit broader. - New model brought in post May local election. - Quite a lot of resources are allocated to Area Boards – these resources need to be allocated democratically. - How do individuals find out about Area Boards? - Generally social media, Council website, partners (e.g.: Community Groups) Occasionally press releases if it's something big. - Cross area board? Organisations work across county, is there more flexibility? - Common, but complicated encouraging greater collaboration. If outside out boarder can find a nothing to do with us attitude. Funding criteria – hyper local. If projects think they warrant a wider approach then Rhys is the best person to approach. - Historically LGBTQI+ groups need a broader group – for instance can be a challenge to set up if need funding through area board. - Culture shift in councillors. Understanding working in partnership is sensible. Moved on a little but still work to do. - Any move to combine Area Boards or are they stable? 	<p>Rhys Schell</p> <p>Chair</p> <p>RS</p> <p>LJ</p> <p>RS</p> <p>LJ</p> <p>RS</p> <p>Chair</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Unlikely to change – logical set up. 	RS
5.		<p>Round up of news from CFVSF members & suggestions of content for next forum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wiltshire Community Foundation branch reopened. Local for local connection – need to look at our funding. Prioritise grassroots applications. - Still looking at ongoing pandemic response. - Anti-racist practice as group. Our objectives, training needs, etc. Need to think about it. To discuss in executive meeting? - Looking into arranging EDI training. - Terms of reference – intention to review in September. Ideal time to make sure they're fit for purpose and include anti-racist statement. - Issue of information sharing/emails – common problem regarding encryption and security risks. For example emailing MASH. Are there issues for other organisations? - Will try and find out more regarding encrypting causing problems. Trouble is that the emails often come into inbox looked after by 4 or 5 people. - Not just confidentiality but a GDPR issue. <p>Action: Stephanie Davis to find out more about email security and encryption issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hospice has reopened to children – stopped testing. - New family support worker starting – joining in September. - Contextual safeguarding – want more participation – invited a speaker along to November meeting. - Parent Carer Council team still there in case anyone needs supporting over the summer. - Terms of reference to be reviewed in September. - Looking for new exec member – will be put in the newsletter. - Looking to engage and grow the membership. Anything you feel you can do to promote the forum then please do - How do we feel about a blended meeting in September? Some in the venue, some online. Not our decision to make - it's down to the members. - Not able to attend due to clinical risk. - Wouldn't mind. How good is the technology? Is it good enough for the hearing impaired? 	<p>Margaret Firth</p> <p>LJ</p> <p>LCG</p> <p>LJ</p> <p>SD</p> <p>Chair</p> <p>Heather Philpotts</p> <p>Natalie Huggins</p> <p>TS</p> <p>Chair</p> <p>LCG</p> <p>HP</p> <p>TS</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Happy with any kind. - Unable to drive, so would prefer remotely. - Mindful that those remote feel included. - Happy to have morning out. - Have found it's not as good blended. - Doodle poll to members? We can attach this to the minutes when they go out. - People can easily dip in and out remotely. If you come face to face it's difficult to leave for good or for bad. - Maybe not blended? All in person? Suck it and see? - Keep it to Zoom in September but still do Doodle poll to get an idea. <p>Action: Send out poll on whether membership would prefer in person, remote, or blended approach to for future forum meetings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Send invitation to meeting rather than a standard email? - Don't think you can do it with a BCC, but if it's possible will do so. 	<p>VB</p> <p>LJ</p> <p>SD</p> <p>NH</p> <p>VB</p> <p>LCG</p> <p>VB</p> <p>LCG</p> <p>NH</p> <p>LCG</p>
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