

## SEND Local Area Partnership meeting – Blackpool, Fylde and Wyre

**DATE:** Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2019

**TIME:** 1-3pm

**ADDRESS:** Great Arley School, Thornton-Cleveleys

**Present:** Chair: Kathleen Freear – Designated Clinical Officer North (KF)

**Andrea Sandiford, Early Help Partnership Officer, LCC (AS)**

**Diane Booth, Lancashire SEND Senior Manager for Health (DB)**

**Katie Diver, Mainstream SENCO (KD)**

**Peter Higham – Head teacher, Great Arley School (PH)**

**Alison Dodgeon, Information Advice and Support Officer, LCC (AD)**

**Gurbaksh Dhillon, Team Manager, IA Team, LCC (GD)**

**David Middleton – Senior Manager, LCC Inclusion Service (DM)**

**Michelle Cookson – P.A. to DCO – Minute Taker (MC)**

Agenda Item	Topic	Action
1.	<p><b>Apologies Received:</b></p> <p>Paul Ellis Emma Bonney Lucy Ellis</p>	
2.	<p><b>Previous minutes and discussion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sam Parker has now left – Shakoofeh Shah has been invited to the next meeting</li> </ul>	
3.	<p><b>Parent engagement events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CYGNET to be discussed at the next working group. Details of course to be sent to AS by KF</li> <li>Feedback from parents – problems with courses available. Poor uptake of attendance in L&amp;M area.</li> <li>CYGNET to link in with the ND pathway</li> <li>Pathways of support and needs required beforehand. Offered to parents but the course needs rebranding making more explicit for parents(DM)</li> <li>Discuss events at Parent Carer Forum. Adverts on social media etc.(DB) Parent to parent word of mouth– advertise on social media groups(AS)</li> </ul> <p><b>Coffee and Cake:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussion re organisation of C&amp;C events at LAP rather than from LCC</li> <li>Laura Morris (AD) contact. Look at localities (ALL)</li> </ul>	<p><b>DB/KF</b></p> <p><b>KF/SP/LE/EB/GJ</b></p> <p><b>ALL</b></p> <p><b>DB/KF</b></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have C&amp;C events at after school clubs? 2 minute slots with each professional almost like a 'careers type' event with different professionals/agencies in each corner for parents to come and discuss issues such as behaviour, SLT etc</li> <li>• LAP and IASS to co-ordinate future C&amp;Cs and the topics to be discussed. To liaise with EB and AD re this. KD to feedback from her own parent events planned to link with which key topics to be discussed at the C&amp;Cs and what parents feel are best timings etc</li> </ul>	<p><b>ALL</b></p> <p><b>KF/AD/EB/KD</b></p>
<p>4.</p>	<p><b>Terms of reference</b></p> <p>Networking –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invite 0-19 teams? (KF)</li> <li>• Social Care – Paul Ellis invited to LAP</li> <li>• A lot of children that don't hit CWD due to the threshold being so high (AS), CWD entitled to CIN assessment (DM)</li> <li>• Specialist training in autism - knowledge and skillset and confidence of staff is required (AS)</li> <li>• Big early years gap which is difficult to manage for parents and carers – where do staff go with this when it comes to outside of education, i.e. behaviour and support at home. Blackpool have high numbers of these children with these issues (KD)</li> <li>• Homestart school readiness – now accepting up to level 2. Evidence based. (AS and KF). Perinatal programme established. SLT have trialled the new programme; 90% of these children have SLT difficulties (AS)</li> <li>• Discussion on how to approach parents to introduce the courses to them – some parents find it sounds insulting as they feel it is an attack on their parenting if asked to go on these courses.</li> <li>• School is a big link but due to lack of funding to provide support to these families they are at maximum capacity even with the help of family learning mentors (KD)</li> <li>• Early years setting entitlement at 15 hours from government, however, some are not picked up until school age due to 'opt in' service only at nursery (KD/GD). Different qualities in different areas and standards have dropped with nursery providers. To link in with Helen Connelly, Inclusion Service LCC to discuss this further and to provide explanation of services.</li> <li>• Early notifications for health at nursery is a safety net (DM). Issues with engagement due to transient population moving across boundaries(KF). Joined up workforces is required.</li> <li>• DB to discuss at workforce group to deliver training for staff in techniques for sensory awareness etc</li> <li>• Timed interventions by CFW– doesn't necessary stop at 20 weeks. On a case by case basis(AS). ? MyLife course (KF)</li> <li>• Coffee and Cake events a good starting point for parents –</li> <li>• If information is widely shared this may lower the need for EHCPs. This may be effective in the longer term(GD)</li> <li>• More chance of response if parents have a conduit in school(DM)</li> </ul>	<p><b>ALL/ HC</b></p> <p><b>DB</b></p> <p><b>ALL</b></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Edwina Grant is the new director of the Early Help Partnership. X 6 highly skilled early help partnership officers are working to look at the increased targeted early intervention offer.(AS). 36% are not engaging. Edwina is looking at the multi-disciplinary model (AS)</li> <li>• ‘Hidden middle’ on a large scale in area that are not covered who aren’t SEN but have difficulties. TA cuts and nurture groups have not been sustained (KD/DM). These were beneficial as a trusted person with families. Families have difficulties with new people, handovers are essential. Clusters of SENCOs and TAs and Teachers are clubbing together but still not enough to link in (KD)</li> <li>• It was discussed what involvement and services are offered at stage of ‘may have SEN’ (AD)</li> <li>• ‘Hertfordshire’ multi-disciplinary model picked out of x 4 models from Edwina. ? what Lancashire looks like at present. Funding before Xmas to be confirmed with CFW service. Mapping of Multidisciplinary teams around neighbourhood/safe place required. Around 30-50,000 in health neighbourhoods. Fleetwood 28,000. Wynn largest footprint neighbourhood. If for example police neighbourhoods, these would not cover Poulton. Fleetwood pilot is currently running with level 3 CIN cases. Specialist team at Milton Street set up.</li> <li>• DB provided explanation of A&amp;E attendance project with MDT assessment at BFW. Paediatricians, social care, GP and early help. Financial support. DB used Lancaster child as a best outcome for this –one child who had x50 attendances to A&amp;E for asthma. With project this was reduced to x1 admission to A&amp;E which wasn’t related to asthma in six months. Parent mental health is also a big factor. Looking at bringing the A&amp;E project back currently in talks – this was lost mid-term 2018. (DB)</li> </ul>	<p>EG/AS</p> <p>DB/ALL</p>
5.	<p><b>Neurodevelopmental pathway</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Currently being reviewed (KF)</li> <li>• EB fed back via KF that some parents are considering legal action. Issues of rejected referrals and not enough information being conveyed</li> <li>• The pathway has currently 30-40 referrals a month when the trajectory was 8-10 a month.</li> <li>• One paediatrician is on long term sickness(update: now returned from sick leave)</li> <li>• Allocation of SLT to service needed but there is no funding for this currently. All felt the process needs doing differently.</li> </ul>	KF/DL
6.	<p><b>Any other business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KF on sick leave from 24<sup>th</sup> Sept</li> </ul> <p><b>If there are any items that you would like to be discussed at the next meeting please contact Michelle Cookson at: <a href="mailto:michelle.cookson5@nhs.net">michelle.cookson5@nhs.net</a></b></p>	

6.	<b>Next Meeting:</b> 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2019 Venue: Great Arley School Thornton-Cleveleys. Time: 12:30-2:30pm	<b>ALL</b>