



# Children and Young Person's Sub-group Meeting

## Minutes

Meeting to be held on 29 June 2017  
At 9 North Guildry Street, Elgin

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**Chair: Susan MacLaren**      **Head of Integrated Children's Services**

**Present:**

Kirstie Wallace	Locality Wellbeing Officer (MC)
Emma Johnston	Service Co-ordinator – Arrows
Iain MacDonald	Children's Wellbeing Manager
Susan Thom	Area Public Health Co-ordinator, NHS

**Apologies:**

Susan Stronach	Partnership Officer - GIRFEC (MC)
Tracey Gervaise	Health and Wellbeing Lead (NHS)
Paul Johnson	Lead Officer – (MADP)
George Flett	Service Manager – (Aberlour Child Care Trust)
Judy Robertson	Childcare Team Manager
Lesley Wills	Social Worker – Pregnancy & Early Years Substance Misuse
Alan Johnstone	Senior Social Worker – Moray Youth Justice & Child Protection Team
Lynsey Murray	MIDAS Health Lead
Jen Upson	Scottish Drugs Forum

**Minutes:**

Louise McKenzie	Support Team Administrator
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**1. Welcome and Apologies**

Susan welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**2. Minutes of previous meeting and Matters Arising**

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

Susan informed she has had conversations with Police Scotland regarding representation at this group and will continue to chase up.

Susan will speak with Willie Findlay regarding the Alcohol Trends meeting. It would be useful if the minutes from the meeting could be shared at this meeting.

**Pregnancy and Early Years: Review of Measurement Outcome Tools** – It was agreed to check with the triage team to see what other tools could be used instead of Family Star.

Kirstie informed that Viewpoint is a tool that could be used with young people as well as other tools as this will link in with the bigger picture in terms of workforce development.

**3. Pregnancy & Early Years: Substance Misuse 2016/17 Quarter 4 Report**

Thank you to Lesley Wills for preparing and sending the report to MADP.

The team are doing work that is crucial in a time when we are seeing more children on the Child Protection Register and this needs to be evidenced clearly within the report. It would be useful to look at the journey from

- what's involved in the extensive time spent with clients
- what good practices are being used
- evidence of the good outcomes
- include a case study.

It was noted that there has been a better balance of referrals between the East and West Teams in quarter 4.

Susan suggested that a collective report from the whole project from when Lesley Wills came into post would be beneficial to look at.

Susan informed that when the funding for the posts ends in December 2017 that these could be converted into a Social Work post.

The Lloyds report from Arrows and the Annual report to be added to the August agenda.

**4. Moray Children's Services Plan 2017-2020 – Implication for MADP**

This group relates directly to the MADP. In response to the inspection we need to be clear about expectations and the role of members.

Susan is still currently the chair of the Child Protection committee although this will change soon.

It is anticipated that a pastoral support post will be signed off in the near future.

Local Management Groups are missing from the Governance Report.

Chief Officers would like to see that not everyone sits on the same groups and would like to see fewer sub-groups.

From the 6 areas identified on the operational improvement plan following the joint inspection of children's services in 2016 it was agreed to prioritise 3 of the areas identified. If we get these right we will get the other 3 areas correct.

From an MADP point of view we fit in under page 47 of the plan working on a series of improvement measures. An action plan will be developed with Paul.

Following discussion it was agreed that what we need is data and to find out what the issues in the localities are and what is currently being done.

**Actions**

What we know and what's being presented.

Brief outline as to what's happening.

Come back to the next meeting with what support/resources are required.

**KW**

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**ALL**

**5. Young People Referrals Relating to Alcohol/Drug Misuse**

Following discussion around referrals for young people who misuse alcohol and/or drugs being received it was identified that we need to know the size of the problem. The following actions were agreed:

- Susan Thom will prepare a report regarding requests for information. **ST**
- Kirstie Wallace will request statistics from Paul McCrudden at Police Scotland. **KW**
- Ask the new QIO to become a member of this group.

**6. Operation Avon Report**

Following discussion and linking back to earlier discussions at this meeting it was agreed that a recommendation be made to the MADP that the monies (14K) referred to in paragraph 2.3 of the Operation Avon Report be transferred to the Children & Young People sub-group in order to progress the Children's Services Improvement Plan, specifically action C15 and the aim on page 47 of the Children's Services Plan 2017-2020 '*We will ensure children and young people are informed to make healthy lifestyle choices*'.

**7. Crew Training**

Susan Thom, Area Public Health Co-ordinator informed she has provisionally booked Crew2000 to deliver 2 x 3 hour training sessions for up to a maximum of 50 delegates. The training will be delivered free of charge and will focus on the latest drug trends, effects and harm reduction. The Gallery, Elgin Library has been provisionally booked for 30 and 31 October 2017.

The training would be aimed at children and young people's workers and carers including foster carers, social work staff and Cala staff.

Susan confirmed she is happy to go ahead.

We will advertise to staff after the summer holidays in school bulletins, the training gateway and LMD calendar.

**8. Child Neglect (Standing Item)**

Susan confirmed a neglect group has been set up and is being chaired by Fiona Miele.

The core focus of this group is to develop a toolkit to help staff identify neglect.

As Iain MacDonald is a member of this group he has agreed to link in with Fiona and feedback to this group.

**9. AOCB**

Outfit Moray was successful in a funding bid through the Scottish Whisky Association. Funding will provide 4 outdoor sessions with children from 14 – 18 years of age.

**10. Date of Next Meeting**

**Monday 21 August 2017, 10.00am in 9 North Guildry Street, Elgin**