

Minute

Families and Communities Workstream
6 December 2019

Attendees: Ruth Binks; Inverclyde Council, Helen Brown; West Partnership, Craig Melrose; Education Scotland, A Drever; University of Glasgow, Elaine McLoughlin; Inverclyde Council, Robert Hynd; South Lanarkshire Council, Kathryn Farrow; Glasgow City Council, Rosamund Rodriguez; East Renfrewshire Council, Elaine Johnstone; North Lanarkshire Council, Zoe Inglis; Renfrewshire Council, Laura Radcliffe; West Dunbartonshire Council, Anna MacMillan; Parent, Helen Byrne; Parent.

Apologies: Alison O'Brien' East Dunbartonshire Council

1. Welcome

R Binks welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

2. Children's Neighbourhood Scotland

Drever distributed handouts of a short presentation regarding children's neighbourhoods and advised an electronic copy would be issued also. A Drever provided an overview and background of the work ongoing with regards to children's neighbourhoods. It was highlighted that the capabilities may be of an interest to this workstream and A Drever would be happy to assist if this is something that the workstream would be interested in. R Binks asked for comments from the group with regards to this, a lengthy discussion took place regarding this.

3. Youth Voice Event

H Brown provided an overview of the youth voice event which took place on 9th November 2019 and was hosted by Inverclyde Council, 28 young people took part and there was a diverse range of young people there on the day. The key messages from the day were:

- PSE Curriculum - it doesn't currently meet the needs of young people and teachers require specialist training.
- Would like wider access to pathways such as employability and life skills.
- Would like more peer education

It was advised moving forward there would be 8 youth ambassadors for the West Partnership, H Brown advised each workstream will take on the relevant areas that the young people wish to work on. The next step is for a paper to go to the board regarding this event.

4. Self-evaluation Resource Sub Group

It was discussed that there is a need to offer better support of families and communities. K Farrow advised that Glasgow is already doing something on this and producing a checklist with regards to the quality indicators of 2.5. K Farrow to send checklist to H Brown for distribution to workstream.



5. Home Link Professional Learning Sub Group

H Brown advised of a recent meeting with the subgroup and it was decided that there would be practitioner enquiry rather than running a course. This will take place on 12 February and 12 March 2020 and each authority will nominate 2 people to attend.

6. CLD Conference

H Brown provided an update on the CLD Conference that will take place on 22 January 2020 in Emirates Arena. It was advised that each local authority will send 3 members of staff (2 headteachers and 1 strategic leader). H Brown advised that she would send the invite out to all workstream members. C Melrose advised further clarity was needed on attainment advisers attending conference.

7. Parent Forum

H Brown provided feedback on a recent meeting with NPFS, the meeting was positive and it was advised NPFS are just keen for emerging practice to be shared and maybe look at collecting storyboard to be shared.

8. Updates

Storyboards

H Brown will take storyboards to the next evaluating and reporting workstream meeting and will hope to have them online in the New Year

Home Education Audit

H Brown advised from a recent audit there are currently 390 children being home educated within the West Partnership.

Date of Next Meeting: 20 March 2020 at 9.30am

