



Early Years Partnership

**Minute of Meeting**

**TITLE** : Early Years Partnership Meeting  
**DATE** : Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2016 **TIME** : 2pm  
**VENUE** : EDC Conference Room, 6 Kenneth St., Stornoway  
**DISTRIBUTION** : All Partnership Members

**Present (Members)** Cllr Catriona Stewart, Valerie Russell, Anne Macleod  
**Present (Other):** Becky Maclean & Gillian Mackenzie (minutes)  
**Apologies:** Mairi Macneil, Mary Clare Ferguson, Maria Mackay, Morag Maclean, Barbara Macdonald, Iain GG Campbell, Emelin Collier, Anna Macdonald and Peigi Nicolson

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1	Apologies and Welcome	
2	Minute of Last Meeting	
3	<p>CYPPP Feedback</p> <p>The CYPPP group had their first meeting at the end of October. There was a lot of discussion about the 'Terms of Reference' for the group and the sub-groups. BM to tidy up the EYP Terms of Reference in relation to the changes discussed.</p> <p>The group are very keen to be seeing updates/progress on projects, and will be focussing on data to measure improvements. The timescales for our projects need to be clear.</p> <p>BM to update the EYP on the CYPPP planned meeting dates. Our meeting schedule will need to align with these dates.</p>	<p>BM</p> <p>BM</p>
4	<p>Action Plan Updates</p> <p>BM had no responses with updates. VR queried where her updates re: MIN etc would best fit. Becky to confirm.</p> <p>There are 40 actions altogether to be progressed over the next 3 years. BM highlighted current progress in the following areas:</p> <p><u>Outcomes 3 &amp; 12 – Improve Child Healthy Weight</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Healthy Packed Lunches in Sgoil Araich An Taobh Siar – EYC project testing is ongoing at present and will begin in Laxdale from next term.</li> <li>• Nursery meals were promoted again last term. There has been a slight increase in the original low uptake. BM is waiting for an update from Louise Laing.</li> <li>• Free school meals – there has been a slight increase in the uptake of the free school meals.</li> <li>• A recent survey has confirmed that all nurseries are doing at least 15 minutes of physical activity during</li> </ul>	BM

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	<p>each session. The Daily Toddle is being developed at Stornoway Childcare Centre. Initial results show that children became more confident and developed stamina for outdoor walking, meaning that those who transitioned to the 2-3 room were able to going out on community walks at the start of term, much earlier than usual.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Steve Munro is now visiting parent &amp; toddler groups to discuss physical activity and share ideas with parents of under 3s.</li> </ul> <p><u>Outcome 14 – Improve co-ordinated approach to delivery of universal resources to support family learning</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bookbug and Play @ Home packs are being delivered by Health Visitors and through nurseries.</li> <li>• Need to further record and monitor the number of Bookbug sessions being delivered throughout the islands following this year’s training sessions. VR to update BM on what AfC staff can deliver and how many staff are trained to deliver.</li> </ul> <p><u>Outcomes 16, 17 &amp; 18 – Developing Parenting Support</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Incredible Years training to be further investigated through PoPP programme by BM and EC</li> <li>• Outcome Star will start to be used in the new year by Family Support Workers following training in December.</li> <li>• Individual Triple P programme delivery continues to work well – positive feedback from parents.</li> <li>• Group Triple P course advertised recently through CLD community brochure and also promoted at parent &amp; toddler groups by Family Support Workers.</li> </ul> <p><u>Outcome 23 – Overcome the Cycles of poverty, Inequality and poor outcomes through the early years.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maternity referrals to CAB continue.</li> <li>• Need to develop a closer link between Maternity and Citizens Advice Bureau. More work to be done with midwives so they can promote CAB services more effectively. Cllr Stewart advised that Emelin should be included in this work.</li> </ul> <p><u>Outcomes 24 &amp; 26 – Improving speech &amp; language outcomes and reading and writing skills</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speech &amp; Language training was delivered to nursery staff at August In-Service</li> <li>• An Early Years Literacy project is being run by the Northern Alliance Group which Mary Clare is involved in. Our nursery staff are being trained in these strategies in January 2017.</li> <li>• EarlyTalkBoost – this is a new resource for 3 year olds with speech delay which is going to be tested out. Need to get a member of staff trained to deliver this through the Early Years Collaborative.</li> <li>• Attainment Challenge project is ongoing in Stornoway Primary, Daliburgh and Point focussing targeted interventions for identified children in P1-3</li> </ul> <p><u>Outcome 28 – Support Delivery of the Gaelic Plan</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ‘Là na Gàidhlig’ – This is being run today (23<sup>rd</sup> November) in all schools and nurseries and we are waiting for feedback.</li> </ul>	<p>VR</p> <p>BM &amp; EC</p>

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4	<p data-bbox="219 124 495 256">Early Learning &amp; Childcare Expansion – National Progress Update</p> <p data-bbox="517 124 1989 256">BM gave an update on national progress with regards to the expansion of EL&amp;CC.</p> <p data-bbox="517 193 1989 256">The Government's consultation re: their Blueprint for ELC Expansion is available online - <a href="http://www.gov.scot/Resource/0050/00507518.pdf">http://www.gov.scot/Resource/0050/00507518.pdf</a>. BM to forward the blueprint to Headteachers for comment.</p> <p data-bbox="517 293 1989 392">BM &amp; BC met with the Scottish Futures Trust representative recently and gave an analysis of how expansion is hopefully going to be managed for our local authority, highlighting areas where capital funding will be needed for nursery development.</p> <p data-bbox="517 432 1989 531">The Scottish Government are going to run a series of trials for the extended 1140 hours and our Local Authority have put in an application to run a trial in a rural area. It is hoped that we will hear if this application was successful before Christmas. BM to update the group on the outcome of the funding bid.</p> <p data-bbox="517 568 1989 632">Moving forward we hope to take forward the ESF project, consult with parents and go ahead with the ELC trial. BM to make a more detailed plan in the new year following the outcome of the funding applications.</p>	<p data-bbox="2011 193 2063 220">BM</p> <p data-bbox="2011 432 2063 459">BM</p> <p data-bbox="2011 568 2063 595">BM</p>
5	<p data-bbox="219 667 472 730">Children's Services VSE</p> <p data-bbox="517 667 1989 699">Early Years did well in the VSE. BM to send out the write up of the VSE to Partnership members.</p>	<p data-bbox="2011 667 2063 694">BM</p>
6	<p data-bbox="219 762 309 790">AOCB</p> <p data-bbox="517 762 1126 790">There was no other business to be discussed.</p>	
7	<p data-bbox="219 842 387 906">Date of Next Meeting</p> <p data-bbox="517 842 1010 869">BM to set a date for the next meeting.</p>	<p data-bbox="2011 842 2063 869">BM</p>