



Nottinghamshire
SAFEGUARDING
CHILDREN Board

Working in Partnership to Safeguard
Children & Young People

Minutes of NSCB BME Subgroup

29th September 2009

Attendance List for NSCB BME Subgroup Meeting – 29th September 2009

Name	Organisation	Present	Apologies
Lawrence Jones	Youth Offending Service	✓	
Joe Foley	NSCB Manager	✓	
DI Ian Winton	Public Protection, Nottinghamshire Police	✓	
	NSCB Development Officer		✓
Devon Allen	Service Manager, CYPS	✓	
Sarah Lee	Head of ECAS	✓	
Dawn Smith	Practice Manager Youth Offending Service	✓	
Jade Poyser	Integration and Equality, DAAT		✓
Cathy Sheehan	Designated Nurse		✓
Juliette Penney	Health Visitor, Bassetlaw PCT		✓
Emily Jones	Operations Manager, Connexions	✓	
Sarah Wells	NSCB Training Coordinator		✓
Dawn Godfrey	Children's Service Manager Children and Young People's Services.		✓
Rosy Johnson (Minutes)	NSCB Administrator, Nottinghamshire County Council	✓	

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
1. Welcome and Apologies	The new Chair introduced himself and welcomed all to the meeting and introductions were made around the table.	
2. Minutes of Previous Meeting 5th May 2009, and Matters Arising	<p>The minutes of the last meeting were read through and matters arising were reviewed.</p> <p>Child From Abroad is on the agenda.</p> <p>Kate Davies has resigned as Chair of this subgroup and Laurence Jones is the new Chair.</p> <p>The Workplan is also on the agenda.</p> <p>There is a typo error in the previous minutes which needs amending from “equality” to “quality”.</p>	
3. Review of Terms of Reference	<p>A Vice-Chair needs to be elected and written into the Terms of Reference.</p> <p>Long discussion regarding the role and function of the group. Agreed that we need to re focus efforts on the key areas previously identified. The group will seek to ensure that the needs of BME children and Families are met in relation to safeguarding. Within this the priority remains to ensure that nationally identified issues are considered and addressed within the County.</p> <p>Fundamental to this will be a better needs analysis regarding our population.</p> <p>Agreed the following areas must be considered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Forced Marriage ▪ Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) ▪ “Honour” base violence ▪ Race, racism and racist bullying ▪ Culturally appropriate practice ▪ Child abuse linked to religion and belief ▪ Migrant children ▪ Child victims of Trafficking ▪ Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children ▪ <p>Agreed to consider the impact of work around Violent Extremism at next meeting.</p> <p>Agreed JF and LJ to work up the TOR ahead of the next meeting.</p>	JF/LJ
4. Membership	<p>The membership list needs to be updated and some work done around filling gaps within the group to ensure all areas are covered. Lawrence Jones agreed to speak to current members to check if they feel their contribution to the sub-group is still relevant.</p> <p>Agreed for further consideration, though clear priority to re establish the focus of the group then widen membership as necessary.</p>	LJ
5. Workplan/Priorities	Further discussion regarding the Work Plan for the remainder of the year and into 2010/11. Agreed need for amendment to reflect the need to address the priority areas above. Agreed JF/LJ to meet to	LJ/JF

	prepare a revised draft for the next meeting.	
6. Children From Abroad – Practice Guidance	<p>The draft Inter-Agency Practice Guidance for Children from Abroad is to be circulated to members not attending this meeting so that any comments can be discussed at the next meeting. Devon Allen will pass to JF for circulation to the group.</p> <p>Noted that this is a cross authority piece of work and we need to agree a process for completion with City Colleagues. JF to discuss with opposite number in the City.</p>	<p>DA</p> <p>JF</p>
7. Needs Assessment	As discussed above, there is a need to consider a clearer needs assessment in relation to BME children and Families. Noted the work being undertaken within strategic services to develop the strategic needs assessment. Agreed there is a need to link in with Geoff Hamilton (performance manager) who is carrying out this work. It may be appropriate to invite Geoff to a future meeting to discuss. Agreed Laurence to discuss with Geoff.	LJ
8. AOB	None	
9. Date for the next meeting	Friday, 20th November 2009 from 2:30 to 4:30 at Home Brewery Building, Sir John Robinson Way, Arnold.	