



Representative Report to Network Members

| |
|---|
| Meeting attended: Doncaster Children's Trust Board |
| Date of Meeting: 15th June 2010 |

Key agenda items:

- 1) Draft Constitution
- 2) Updates/ Feedback on:
 - Joint Strategic Needs Assessment
 - Vision (Consultation and Engagement)
 - Workforce Development
 - Commissioning Framework
 - Early Intervention

Summary

Note: This was the first meeting as representatives we had been invited to attend for well over a year. We have now managed to re-establish 2 places for Third Sector representatives on the Board.

In the meantime, a new Board had come into existence, Draft Constitution agreed and Work Streams set up as per Updates list above.

Very much a question of getting a feel for the new ethos, Chair, membership and structures.

1) Draft Constitution

The Third sector is named as a potential partner on the Board but we were not listed as actual members. We were invited to send comments in writing and to work with them to write Third sector in. (Paper presented)

2) Updates

Joint Strategic Needs Assessment.

We have one place on this Work Stream (Paper presented)

Vision.

The existing Active Involvement Group has been re-established and is leading this work stream. I asked about our representation – since 0-19 Forum had

been very pro-active with this area of work and heavily involved in the writing of Active Involvement strategy. Third sector organisations are attending (follow up email received) – but more in their own right than as chosen reps (Paper presented)

Workforce Development

We do have a rep on this group. There will be a mapping of all training being delivered by all partners. There will also be analysis of “frequency and seriousness” of workers’ contact with children and a matching up of appropriate training. Partners will deliver in kind training. There will be scenario case study type training (Paper presented).

Commissioning

There will be a workshop in September. Needs to be an evidence base for the commissioning/decommissioning. There will be a commissioning framework with different groups by October. Governance must not prevent good work. There will be modelling of how services can be delivered.

Early Intervention/Family Support

It was stated that this has to be rooted solidly in and driven by Children’s Services. Internally they have to sort the first steps. Chair insisted that it must now involve all partners. It is evident that there is a small group of very hard to reach families that are not being touched by any activity. Project group needs to address this. Another key area mentioned was the need for coherence and modernisation of services for children with disabilities

| |
|---|
| Report author: Elaine Hirst |
| Contact details: elaine@thepoint.org.uk |
| Date of next meeting: 20 th September 2010 |