

PfA Meeting-9th May 2022

Stacey Feedback Notes

Attendees: Lindsey Sloan, Aleksandra Zabielska, Michael Batty, Nicky Mitchell, Mel Hart, Nina Davidson, Jenni Collis-Heavens, Simon McKenzie, Pippa Emmerson, Sarah Murray, Stacey Freeman

Essentially, this was an informal meeting, designed to have conversations with leads, and discuss how the following areas could be progressed:

Pathways between Children and Adult Social Care Including Housing - Stacey/ Aleks

Heath Transition/Being Healthy – Sam Best to confirm

Feeling and being Safe – Karen

Social and Community Activities – tbc

Clear Information – Pippa/ Nicky

Nina was concerned that young people not in education were slipping through the net, and not receiving support in adulthood.

Simon explained that eligibility for children and adults was different, so being eligible as a child doesn't automatically mean you will be entitled to support as an adult.

Lindsey shared that there was an easy read housing booklet in Poole, and this doesn't seem to have been transferred.

Mel asked if a diagnosis was needed to get a PfA social worker.

Simon reiterated that this wasn't necessary, but individuals must be eligible.

Mel suggested that there needed to be better support from police or the safe bus, to educate young people about dangers, and teach them how to behave in different situations.

Jenni stated it would be Michael's role to start identifying actions and address this work.

Pippa stated that the police are developing software to predict where vulnerabilities will be, for example SEND. They want to be responsive rather than reactive.

Some of the information gathered seemed to come from youth groups. Nina pointed out that many SEND young people will not be able to access these groups, so how are these people identified/supported? Pippa suggested this could be another group or cohort that would need to be accessed.

It was suggested that our 'forums' were important to liaise with... Nina said they need to target more groups and gain wider feedback.

The areas above have been allocated provisional leads...they still need to work out who else will be involved. Some names were mentioned, but they will hopefully be confirmed at the next meeting.

One of the tasks related to social and community activities was reviewing day services, with a view to moving away from the traditional offers as these are not attractive to young people.

Aleksandra is currently still taking care of Short Breaks, but may wish to delegate this.

Adult services - My Life My Care was synced up by Nicky and Louise Chiles years ago, but probably needs to be reviewed and updated.

Simon said it is important that child and adult services link up, and that the processes are accessible and easy to understand by parents and young people. He wants to invite views from parents and young people on particular issues, and think about how to promote services.

Nicky said the My Life My Care website is being brought in-house. It currently has a directory for services. It is hoped that this will be developed so it can 'talk to' other directories. Essentially, they want to see what information is out there and create a service directory for the whole area, where relevant and helpful information can live in one place.

Sarah said that parents, carers and young people needed to be involved in the My Life My Care work.

There is a deadline of six months to get this work completed.

Lindsey mentioned a PfA booklet. Sarah has asked for more information about this, and asked to be involved.

Thanks,

Stacey

Kind Regards,

Stacey Freeman