

Newcastle CAMHS Partnership

Minutes of meeting on Friday 4th July 2008

Present

Aileen Fitzgerald	Head of Children and Families
Andy Roberts	Local Authority Be Healthy Lead
Gill Shapero	Clinical Nurse Lead Children & Families, Newcastle Primary Care Trust

Part 1: Business Meeting

1. Apologies for absence

Jacqui Sirs	Assistant Director Children's Services, Barnardo's
Caroline Wills	Speech & Language Therapy Manager, Community Team for Learning Disabilities (CTLD)
Dr David Ward	Consultant Psychiatrist Newcastle, CAMHS and Early Intervention in Psychosis Service
Jan Cole	Senior Manager, Newcastle CAMHS
Linda Mason	Head of Inclusion, Newcastle City Council
Pat Thompson	Manager Children with Disabilities

As only 3 members of the partnership were present the meeting was not quorate, while some discussion was undertaken against each agenda item, no decisions were made.

2. Notes from previous meeting

For accuracy – this was deferred until the August meeting.

3. Matters arising not on the agenda

No matters arising.

4. Promoting Good Mental Health – research findings

Andy circulated the report (an opportunity for us to do it together)
Promoting Good Mental Health in inner West Newcastle. This report

outlined a summary of the initial findings of the research. This was circulated for information.

5. Tier 4/ Development of Community Infrastructure – principles for agreement

The principles document has been put together by the joint PCT and Local Authority Partnership Group and will be shared with all CAMHS partnerships North and South of the Tyne for approval.

Action: Send comments by 4th August to Aileen (All)

6. Parent Early Intervention Programme

Gill Shapiro attended this event. She reported that it was perhaps more applicable for Voluntary and Community Sector agencies who provide services for children and young people aged 8 – 13 of a more specialist nature. She felt it was not applicable for a more generic service such as School Health Advisers. It was noted that any applications should come to the CAMHS Partnership for information and support, given that proposals should be in line with the CAMHS Strategy and action plan.

7. Any Other Business

7.1 Early Years Emotional Wellbeing Strategy

it was noted that this under the Government arrangements for the Be Healthy outcome stream which includes the CAMHS Partnership, this strategy should be shared with both groups.

7.2 Streetwise school-based counselling service

Aileen shared a letter received from Kirsty Buggins, outlining the school based counselling service which they hoped to offer across all schools in Newcastle and request the partnerships support for this.

Action: Respond in writing (AF)

Part 2: Development Work

8. Update Self Assessment Matrix and CAMHS Strategy document

Evidence from the PBMA existing self assessment matrix and action plan, CAMHS Needs Assessment, Tier 4 review work and all other relevant documentation was considered and translated into an outline strategy document.

Action: Progress to first draft and discuss at August meeting (AR)

9. Date and time of next meeting

Friday 1st August, 12.00-2.00, Benton House