CUMBRIA LSCB

CUMBRIA LOCAL SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD

Minutes of a meeting of the Cumbria LSCB held on Thursday 21st January 2016 at 11.15 am at CREA, Penrith

PRESENT:

Gill Rigg	-	Independent Chair
Richard Simpson	-	Assistant Director, Barnardos (Vice-Chair)
Fiona Musgrave	-	LSCB & Improvement Programme
John Dyer	-	District/Borough Council Representative ***(Representing Deborah Storr)***
Jo Hiley	-	Cumbria Partnership Foundation Trust (CPFT) ***(Representing Sara Munro)***
Claire Moore	-	Chief Matron, NCUHT ***(Representing Gail Naylor)***
Amanda Boardman	-	Lead GP, Cumbria CCG
Louise Mason-Lodge	-	Designated Nurse for Safeguarding, CCG
Alison Smith	-	Deputy Director of Nursing/Safeguarding Lead, NHS England
Deborah Royston	-	Senior Manager, Targeted Youth Services, Cumbria Council
Pam Hutton	-	Chief Officer, East Cumbria Family Support, Voluntary Sector Representative
John Greenwood	-	LSCB Lay Member
Domenic Volpe	-	Secondary Headteacher
Claire Render	-	Primary Headteacher
Darren Martland	-	Assistant Chief Constable, Cumbria Constabulary
Colin Cox	-	Director, Public Health, Cumbria County Council
Ian Gopsill	-	Service Manager, CAFCASS
Jon Rush	-	LSCB Lay Member
Mark Lippett	-	University Hospitals Morecambe Bay Trust ***(Representing Sascha Wells)***
Susan Butcher	-	Assistant Director, Children & Families (Interim), Children's Services, Cumbria County Council
John Macilwraith	-	Corporate Director, Children's Services, Cumbria County Council

APOLOGIES:

Deborah Storr	-	District/Borough Council Representative
Sascha Wells	-	University Hospitals Morecambe Bay Trust
Anne Burns	-	Portfolio Holder for Children's Social Care, Elected Member
Sara Munro	-	Director of Quality & Nursing, Cumbria Partnership Foundation Trust

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1	***Introductions, Declarations of Interest and Apologies for Absence*** **No declarations of interest were raised and apologies for absence were noted.**		
2	***Minutes of Last Meeting*** One amendment as follows: Item 9 – Education Sub-Group – Second sentence to be amended to read: "She advised the Education Sub-Group had agreed to champion …" Subject to the above amendment, the minutes of the last meeting held on 18th November 2015 were **agreed** as an accurate record. ***Matters Arising*** ***Problem Profile*** – **Action: SMitchell to send copy to Board members.** ***Meeting with Irene Cooper*** – FMusgrave confirmed she will be meeting ICooper on Monday in respect of the Adults Board. ***Directions Notice*** – **Action: copy of link to the Notice on the website to sent out to Board members.** ***Audit reports*** – FMusgrave advised it was not intended to publish these reports, however, a copy will be circulated to Board members. **Action: FMusgrave to circulate to LSCB members.** ***GRigg report to Minister*** – it was **noted** that the November report has now been circulated. ***Postcards* re Corporate Parenting**– it was **noted** the postcards will be circulated when they become available. ***L&I Train the Trainers*** – JRush asked about progress. FMusgrave advised there is an update in her report regarding this issue but confirmed there is a training session tomorrow and the situation is improving. ***FMusgrave to forward updated priorities*** – it was **noted** this has been done and the report has been signed off. ***CCox to pick up issue of similar documents*** – CCox	

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	advised initial conversations have been held. Discussions are continuing.		
	CDOP 2010-14 Composition Report – CCox had received information from GRigg. ***Action: SMitchell to follow up and arrange a further date to look at the system.***	SMitchell	ASAP
	Education Sub-Group – CRender confirmed NSpence attended the Sub-Group meeting yesterday and presented a paper.		
	Conference – it was **noted** work on this was ongoing.		
	Negative publicity re CAMHS– PHutton confirmed she has spoken with SMunro and this issue will be discussed at next meeting of the Communications Sub-Group.		
	Challenge Log		
	Numbers 19, 41 49 – it was agreed a view would be taken at the next meeting as to whether they should remain red. There was a suggestion of consolidating all three as one rather than three separate ones. There will be a full CAMHS update at the next meeting which should also cover these three challenges. Improvement has been made but it is not sustainable as yet.		
	Action: JHiley to take this back to SMunro to consolidate JHiley/FMusgrave to discuss further outside this meeting.	JHiley/SMunro JHiley/ FMusgrave	ASAP ASAP
	Number 58 /66– Following discussion, it was confirmed that five LSCB attendees have or are planned to attend .		
	Action: PHutton to look into this.	PHutton	ASAP
	Action: FMusgrave to draw up a format. Those who have attended Forums are asked to provide her with a short paragraph advising which Forum they attended and what was discussed and if there were any actions.	FMusgrave	15/03/16
	RSimpson said to make it more purposeful the LSCB needs to be "SMARTER" about the messages given to the Practitioner Forums. GRigg suggested this should be led by the Business Group. **Action: SMitchell to agenda this for the next**	SMitchell	15/03/16

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	Business Group meeting. ***Number 63*** – this appears to have moved significantly forward. LMason-Lodge said the LSCB needs to see evidence of IROs challenging within the health system before it goes green. SButcher said the IRO service is now better placed to achieve this but they are probably more challenging to social care rather than health. **Action: LMason-Lodge to speak to SButcher regarding this outside the meeting.** PHutton said she attended a recent conference and saw the IROs being very challenging and asking partners first before social care. They were working very differently. JHiley said discussed the pressure on the school nursing service. LMason-Lodge said if health staff are not attending any multi-agency meetings, this needs to be escalated - where is that going and who knows? CCox said there was a need to be clear which health role was needed at conferences, rather than the default position being the school nurse. ***Number 70*** – DRoyston advised this is referred to in her report. It should also remain amber. ***Number 71*** – LMason-Lodge said it remains a challenge to increase the training pool. **Action: report from L&I Chair to 10th May 2016 LSCB meeting.**	LMason-Lodge/ SButher LMason-Lodge	ASAP 10/05/16
3	**Update from other Partnerships** ***Children's Improvement Board*** JMacilwraith advised a meeting was held yesterday. Discussions held regarding young people in custody and a report was verbally presented to the Board, DMartland having met with the Chair of the Childrens Improvement Board (ChIB) prior to the meeting. This will be shared with minutes of the meeting. The report on Emotional Well-being report was very good and the whole system approach was very positive. It was well received.		

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	There was also had Ofsted feedback on quarter two, observations which focused on quality and IRO service. They were positive about some of the IRO work and over the quarter they increasingly agreed with the audit judgements of Cumbria's own internal judgements. There was virtual agreement in all cases and that is indicative that Cumbria is increasingly becoming a self-improvement system. GRigg asked if this report can go out to this Board as well as the Improvement Board. This was **agreed**. Ofsted have provided a date for a seminar they will deliver and share with partners their findings and observations. Wednesday 17th February at 11.30 – 1.15. There is no scope to move this as this is when the two Inspectors will be in Cumbria. The invitations will be managed through the LSCB. ***Health and Well-Being Board*** JMacilwraith advised they have not met since the last Board. A development session was held last Monday to start to shape out what the future health care services in Cumbria will be. ***Children's Trust Board*** JMacilwraith advised the December meeting was cancelled due to the flooding and it is rescheduled for 2nd February where it is hoped to present the CYP plan for sign off. The plan will precipitate a conversation about how it will monitor the plan and the implications for Board members. ***Adult Safeguarding Board*** No update was available for this meeting. ***Safer Cumbria County Council*** DRoyston advised the next meeting is to be held on 10th February. ***Corporate Parenting Board*** SButcher advised the Board is growing in strength and challenge and the group is being mentored by Tony Crane from Cheshire. They looked at the Children and		

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	Young People's plan (CYP) and wanted "SMART" targets.		
4	**LSCB Business Report** FMusgrave referred to the report circulated. ***Education Sub-Group*** – It is asked that LSCB members are supportive of an education member joining the Hub. CRender advised she is to meet with JBarrett to discuss the issue of what is meant by an education professional. ***Recommendation 1 – The LSCB is asked to consider whether it supports an educational professional joining the safeguarding hub as a member of staff. The funding for this post would have to be discussed between Cumbria County Council and Cumbria Alliance of System Leaders (CASL).*** It was **agreed** this was supported. LMason-Lodge asked that Terry Irving (Interim Hub Manager) be asked to join the conversation between CRender/JBarrett. ***Performance Management and Quality Assurance (PMQA)Sub-Group*** ***Section 11 Audit*** – 585 responses have been received, which was a strong response. The Quality Assurance Group report was well received by the Care Practice diagnostic team. GRigg said the number of children with child protection plans was rising and the Board needed to understand why. **Action: PMQA to look at this figure at their next meeting. RSimpson to take to the group.** ***Learning & Improvement Sub-Group*** The 2015-16 training programme is being delivered successfully. Systems are being developed to support more effective co-ordination. Virtual college progress report on the e-learning training has been received. The Board confirmed they are happy with arrangements continuing. LMason-Lodge said L&I Group endorse this. This was **agreed.** A Train the Trainer refresher course was held and a	RSimpson	ASAP

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	session for development. LMason-Lodge referred to a system issue which needs addressing but the direction of travel is good. ***Policy & Procedures Sub-Group*** The Tri-x update for January 2016 was led efficiently and all updates received within deadline. A briefing communication will be sent out through the LSCB newsletter SGaskell is stepping down as the chair and it was **agreed** Melanie Baxendale would step up as Chair. A social care representative is required. The group will then appoint a vice-chair. ***Communications and Engagement Sub-Group*** Practitioners identified as "Touch Stones" to be reviewed and utilised to better effect. We have 2,562 subscribers to the safeguarding newsletter. The next newsletter will focus on early help and promote key messages around thresholds. **Action: FMusgrave will look at who receives the newsletter and advise the LSCB members.**	FMusgrave	15/03/16
	Case Review Sub-Group No main meeting of the group held as yet. An extra-ordinary meeting was held on 14th January to discuss two potential SCRs. Recommendations from this have been sent to the Chair. This will be shared with LSCB in due course. CThundercloud has stood down as Chair and Iain McKay has stepped up to act as Chair. A new vice-chair will be appointed by the group. GRigg advised that Cumbria LSCB are contributing to a Tower Hamlets SCR. When the report is finalised, it will be send to the LSCB electronically and will be on the next meeting's agenda ***CDOP*** No meeting has taken place since the last LSCB. ***Early Help***		

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	The Maturity Matrix is complete and will inform the revised early help group action plan. Members of the group went to Calderdale Council to see how they manage this service in November 2015. ***Recommendation 2 – The challenge still remains that too few agencies are closing early help assessments (EHA's). Tthe group reiterated that they need to have EHAs closed so that evidence of outcomes and impact can be measured and report.*** ***Recommendation 3 – the Chair's report included a challenge to Children's Services regarding the quality of plans available to the Team Around the Child following step down from statutory services.*** **Action: it was agreed that this will be included in the challenge log.** Deborah Royston will step up as chair of this group. ***Child Sexual Exploitation/Missing from Home*** Members attended an Ofsted CSE "Getting to Good "event. 426 have completed training to date. The face to face CSE training programme is underway and the first 6 workshops have taken place. ***Recommendation 4 – LSCB Members to ensure that relevant staff attend the face to face CSE training.*** Agencies must ensure the right people are attending these workshops. This is a ***challenge*** to agencies. JDyer queried the involvement of the districts. DRoyston advised there is a task and finish group ongoing and district councils are represented. It was **noted** that Rachael Head to chair this group. ***Hub Programme Board*** Implementation of the plan is on track. Changes have been made to the single contact form and LSCB members are asked to promote this. SButcher advised work is ongoing regarding this. ***Recommendation 5 – LSCB to promote the use of the new single contact form and its implementation.***	FMusgrave	15/03/16

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	It was **noted** JBarrett is taking up the role of chair of this group. ***Health Sub-Group*** Each Minor Injury Steering Group has developed a set of safeguarding pathways to be used in units across Cumbria. Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) is to be discussed at the meeting in February. ***Recommendation 6 – LSCB members are asked to support an FGM event on 16th March arranged by NHS England to be held at Rheged.*** ***Domestic Abuse Task and Finish Group*** The Tri-x policy has been updated and goes live on the 24th February. The Safeguarding Hub now includes a domestic abuse pod. The Domestic Abuse IDVA is now based in the Hub. ***Neglect Task and Finish Group*** First meeting centred on graded care profile 2 pilot. The decision was taken not to go ahead due to the overall lack of information available ***Recommendation 7 – LSCB to note that Cumbria will not be participating in the graded care profile 2 pilot. The LSCB confirmed this*** The second meeting reviewed the procedure Responding to Abuse and Neglect and a smaller group of colleagues has been identified to review the multi-agency neglect strategy. The next meeting will focus on neglect training for which a package is being pulled together. ***CYP Forum Presentation to Business Group*** The CYP had written a report and presented this to the Business Group. Some members attended and raised some questions for the group. PHutton felt the meeting was good but slightly rushed as a result of both the wintery weather and the closing time of the building. There were some complications in not being able to hear the young people attending via Skype.		

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	CRender advised the Education Sub-Group agreed they would invite the Forum to their sub-group to ask what resources were available and how they can be used to disseminate into schools. It is also planned to engage Years 5 and 6 into the youth council. It was confirmed that there were two young people attending the meeting, three via Skype and two others had to turn back because of the wintery weather. ***Recommendation 8 – LSCB to ask staff to encourage practitioners to go along to the CYP with any child (aged 9+) they would find it useful. In addition, some current members of the Forum suggested they would be willing to attend practitioner forums to publicise the Forum. This was warmly welcomed*** ***Recommendation 9 – The LSCB Chair should write to each member of the Forum and practitioner who has been involved to thank them personally.*** This was **agreed**. FMusgrave referred to a further LSCB Development Day and will look at having a young person to co-chair with GRigg and to hold this during the Easter holidays/April time.		
5	**Early Help Update** DRoyston referred to the report circulated. The report refers to the new approach to address early help at district level and to seek support to ensure their effective implementation. LSCB members are asked to ensure the establishment of the early help and family support panels. Members are asked to note the process and structure of the Panels which are still in draft format and will be discussed at the Early Help Sub-Group meeting on 28th January. It is asked that each panel (one per district) have an LSCB member attached to act as its sponsor and assist in the key message. It is requested that members confirm a single point of		

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	contact within their organisation who can be contacted for any issues that may arise and cannot be resolved at local level. First panels will commence during the first week of February. The first panel will only have around six people but these will build as time goes on. Will not have a panel for another month after that, but will then aim to have them on a fortnightly basis. The terms of reference and the role of chair are all drafted. RSimpson declares an interest. RSimpson said Barnardos wanted to develop something similar and are very supportive of this. The work Calderdale are doing regarding this is very helpful. JMacilwraith said this change is linked with the evolution of the safeguarding hub. The Calderdale model is impressive but what makes it effective is that the chairs are from around the multi-agency. For this partnership to take effect other agencies need to be taking on the chair of these panels. JDyer asked about contacts in the districts and if they can they come through himself or DStorr. DVolpe said this will be received very positively by education staff. The LSCB **endorsed** the establishment of these panels. The following members volunteered for the Panels:- ABoardman for Barrow CRender for Carlisle PHutton for Eden DStorr for South Lakes RSimpson for Allerdale DMartland for Copeland GRigg thanked members for volunteering. DRoyston will pick up the single point of contact outside of this group. This was **agreed**.		
6	**The State of Safeguarding in Health** LMason-Lodge referred to the paper circulated. The paper advises the LSCB with an outline on the strategic health programmes currently underway or in		

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	development in the North and South of the County as part of nationally driven initiatives and directives described in "The Forward View". The programmes are expected to have a significant impact on the way healthcare is organised and delivered in Cumbria. The LSCB is asked to note the content of the paper and consider any future action/updates required in relation to the potential impact of these developments on multi-agency safeguarding arrangements within the local partnerships in Cumbria and with colleagues in North Lancashire. LSCB members **noted** the content as requested. ASmith said she had asked where point of contact was. She will find out how safeguarding feeds into the Success regime. This was **agreed**. JRush said he sits on the governing body and confirmed safeguarding will be considered. It was **noted** ABoardman/JRush and ASmith would feedback to the Board as required. LMason-Lodge said it is important the Board is formally sighted on these issues and suggests a formal update to the Board in 6 months time. This was **agreed**. JRush suggested GRigg writes to CCGs to say the LSCB has an interest. It was **agreed** to add this to the challenge log. **Action: LMason-Lodge to draft letter for GRigg to send to CCGs.**	LMason-Lodge	28/02/16
7	**Discussion Following the LGA Care Practice Diagnostic** JMacilwraith advised the feedback took place earlier this morning. They did from the outset recognise that progress is being made and can see the evidence of impact. The main focus was then on some of areas which still need focus to continue to drive improvement. They did a presentation and will look to share with this group. However, as this is not the final version, it should not be shared further. The Council will receive a letter in two/three weeks' time and that will be shared with this		

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	Board. GRigg advised that today they concentrated on what we need to do but overall it is positive. JMacilwraith met with Kate Lyons of DfE and he provided a brief update of this meeting. RSimpson said he felt the feedback was most positive and he was impressed.		
8	**Domestic Abuse Update** SButcher referred to the diagram circulated and said it is to reassure the Board of the work of the domestic abuse contacts within the Hub. This demonstrates a good piece of work between the Police, Health and the Hub. Any comments about this to go to SButcher direct.		
9.	***AOB*** ***SCR Child N*** This item was discussed under the Confidential Part 2 of the meeting.		
11	***Date and Time of Next Meeting*** 15th March 2016, 10.00 am – 1.00 pm, CREA, Penrith		