



Minute of the **Health and Social Care Special Interest Group** held at 10.30am on Friday 19 January 2018 in the Board Room, VAO

Present: Gillian Learmonth (Chair), Rosie Alexander (VAO), Hilary Allen (CAB), Gail Anderson (VAO), June Anderson (RSO), Frazer Campbell (Blide Trust), Erika Copland (Homestart Orkney), Michael Cromby (Home Energy Scotland), Kevin Denvir (ACES group), Peter Diamond (OIC), Linsey Drever (VAO), Simon Gordon (OACAS), Lindsey Johnson (VAO), Samantha Payne (Red Cross), Sandra Towrie (IJB Carer rep/Sanday Development Trust).

In attendance: Cecily Cromby (minutes)

1 Welcome

Gillian welcomed those present and thanked them for attending

2 Apologies

Apologies had been received from Renate Andrews (RSO), Gary Amos (VAO), Phyllis Braby (Orkney Heart Support Group), Mona Budge (Arthritis Research UK), Sandra Deans (IJB Carer rep), Caron Jenkins (Arthritis Research UK), Stacey Johnston (THAW), Linda Lennie (Marie Curie), Sarah Murray (RVS), Gerd Peters (SHC Orkney), Peter Rickard (THAW), Pat Shields (Access Panel Orkney), Andy Spence-Jones (Advocacy), Olivia Tait (Crossroads), Rhoda Walker (Orkney Foodbank), Karen Williams (Vital Talk).

3 Notes of previous meeting held on 17 November 2017

The notes were approved.

4 Matters Arising

Item 5: Membership list and revised Terms of Reference circulated. Mapping exercise not yet done.

Item 7: List of common abbreviations almost complete.

Item 10: Website links circulated.

5 Terms of Reference (attached for noting)

The revised Terms of Reference were approved.

6 Identify gaps in membership

Members were asked to contact Cecily if they identified gaps in membership. Information would continue to be sent to the full group.

7 ADP Restructure: Appointment of two Third Sector representatives to the Strategy Group

Gillian advised that the Alcohol and Drugs Partnership (ADP) was undergoing a restructure and was looking for two new third sector representatives for the Strategy Group. Interested parties should contact Gail as soon as possible.

8 Integrated Joint Board (verbal update)

Gail advised that the Working Group looking at the Information Sharing Protocol would reconvene to take the work forward.

The IJB were keen to establish practitioners groups with OHAC and Third Sector staff to look at specific issues and provide peer support. Gail requested that members help to establish the groups. Interested parties should contact Gail as soon as possible.

The IJB Strategic Commissioning plan had been drafted and would be out for consultation soon. The plan would include 'blended' workforces made up of Third Sector and Statutory organisations to deliver services to individuals. A working group would be established to take this work forward and Gail advised that VAO would sit on this group.

9 Adult Protection referrals

Frazer informed members that changes had recently been made to the adult protection referral policy for registered care services. The Care Inspectorate now needed to be informed of referrals submitted by registered care services and details of those referrals not accepted.

Frazer circulated the new guidelines for Orkney (Protecting Adults at Risk in Orkney: Ensuring Rights and Preventing Harm, Interagency Guidelines: a Quick Guide) which had been updated in May 2017. Frazer had not seen these guidelines until recently. He advised that the guidelines now contained more emphasis on consent. Members agreed that third sector groups need to be informed of any changes to policy. Gillian would report this back to the Adult and Child Protection Training Group and Cecily advised that she would circulate the policy document to members.

Action: Gillian and Cecily

Members discussed the current wait of 12 months for Step 2 Child and Adult Protection training in Orkney. It was noted that Step 1 training was available online and accessible for all. Members discussed the need to think about the relevance of the Step 2 training for staff, noting that not all staff members would need this level. Gail advised that VAO would look at alternative methods of providing the training.

10 Services for Children and Young People – a discussion

Members discussed the need to look at the services currently available in Orkney and identify gaps. Peter noted that the Service Directory for Children and Young People which would be available at the Growing up in Orkney conference in February would assist this process.

Peter discussed the stages of intervention and noted that they increase in economic as well as social cost: Prevention; Early Intervention; Rescue; Recovery; Restoration. He noted that mental health services across Scotland were inundated with referrals and that Prevention and Early Intervention were key to reversing this trend. Kevin noted that early detection of families likely to experience difficulties was essential to allow support to be put in place.

Members discussed the ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences) Collective recently formed in Orkney by a number of third sector organisations. The groups jointly purchased the rights to the Resilience film which highlights the link between adverse childhood experiences and both mental and physical health issues. Members discussed ways to take the work forward, including work with children and parents at schools, maternity units and in local communities and noted the importance of tying in with existing sources of support and information. Gail suggested creating a matrix of support services currently available.

Members were encouraged to contact Gillian if interested in joining the ACEs Collective and to help promote future screenings of the Resilience film.

11 AOCB

Gail advised that the Information Commissioners Office would be visiting Orkney in March to hold two public events and offer one-to-one sessions. Gail would circulate the dates.

Action: Gail

Gail advised that the Scottish Government would be holding a Social Isolation event on 27 February in Orkney. She noted that a consultation was available on line and that she would circulate more information when available.

Action: Gail

12 Date of next meetings

Friday 16 March 2018 - 10.30, VAO Board Room, Kirkwall

Friday 18 May 2018 - 10.30, VAO Board Room, Kirkwall

Friday 20 July 2018 - 10.30, VAO Board Room, Kirkwall

Friday 14 September 2018 - 10.30, VAO Board Room, Kirkwall

Friday 16 November 2018 - 10.30, VAO Board Room, Kirkwall