

Notes from the NICC meeting 1st September 2015

Visitors

Harry Harold MoMo App And technology design

Item	Purpose	Discussions	Any actions
Welcome to new members	An additional 7 new members aged from 13 – 18 joined the in care council this meeting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The existing members introduced themselves and talked a, little bit about the kind of work that they do. • They reassured the new members that no one was forced to take part in any events or public activities unless they volunteered and that training would be given beforehand if needed. • Irene was able to tell the group that we are expecting another 4 new members to join next month which will bring the group to full capacity of 32 members at a meeting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group to consider how best to manage any further referrals , for example setting up a sub group that meets bi monthly, creating a waiting list, continuing to increase the numbers attending meetings.
Involving children and young people in planning Using technology to information share	To speak to the NICC about the possible development of Apps and smart phone friendly ways of both involving them in planning, and passing on information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harry asked the group how they currently use their phones and how often they were used to look for information. The group responded that they did use their phones to find information but that often websites were designed for computers and either did not work on phones or else it was too difficult to see the content and navigate around the site. • Harry talked about an idea for an App which allowed workers and children/ young people to actively write and review plans on a phone or other mobile device. The group thought this was a good idea but suggested that the App may be better aimed at the worker who could use it whilst visiting a child or young person. They felt that some young people would not want to sit and use this type of app on their own although it would still 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harry to revisit the group in 2 months and show how their feedback has impacted on the development of the app.

		<p>be a good option to have.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some group members then volunteered to go and look at a proposed app for preparation for CP conferences and for pathway planning in small groups to give direct feedback. 	
Performance	<p>Don Evans had proposed that an infographic be produced to replace the performance data dashboard in order that it be understandable by young people.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A discussion was held about what should be on this performance feedback that would interest the NICC and other young people. The group decided that most of it was on the dashboard but they wanted to see two new items health assessments In the future data about how many children and young people had been reunified with their family from both voluntary and court based care orders. They would also like to see data of how many of these reunified children and young people either come back into care or are worked with by the children in need, safeguarding/child protection or come directly back into the care system. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Irene and volunteers from the NICC to work with the BIPS team to develop a draft infographic for the next CPEG Draft to go to the October NICC meeting for feedback
	<p>Group looked at the proposed new threshold guidance to see how easy it was to understand and if it looked attractive</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The group were not impressed by its look but became distracted by its content. A discussion began about the threshold themselves. The group were interested on how these thresholds were decided and how people judge if they have been met as they seem quite vague. They were also interested in finding out if when the decision that a child or young person should if the court agrees comes into care, do people look at the bad statistics and use this as part of the decision. They felt there will always be the need for some people to come into care but want to learn more 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Group to put aside a one hour session at the next NICC to explore this further and to decide on the questions they want to ask Cathy Mouser on this topic

		about the decision making process that happens around those where it is a decision and not a necessity.	
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