

**44th Barnet CHSWG meeting
(Children's Hearing Services Working Group)
6 December 2018**

Time **12:30h – 15:00h**
Venue: **Summerside School**
 Crossway, Finchley, London N12 0QU
Chair: Sebastian Hendricks

ITEM	LEAD
<p>1. Introduction & Apologies</p>	<p><u>Apologies:</u> Esther Conway Marion Neuman, Manager S&LT</p> <p><u>Attendance:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sebastian Hendricks, Paediatric Audiovestibular Medicine, RFL (Chair) • Ann East, Lead Advisory ToD, Barnet Specialist Team (Minutes) • Keren Greene, parent • Kerry White, Lead ToD Summerside PDC • Andrea Hanak, Support Worker, Hendon PDS • Zoe Porter, Chief Paediatric Audiologist, RFL • Jenny Gridley, Team Lead – HI,VI,PD, Barnet • Lucy Payne, TOD • Lisa York, Local Area Manager, NHSP • Karishma Parekh, TOD Summerside • Stephanie Halder, Lead TOD, RNTNE <p><u>Others:</u> Introduction with names and roles of those present at the meeting.</p>

2.	<p>Notes from 43rd meeting</p> <p>Matters Arising</p>	<p>Acoustic Panelling – Keren Greene</p> <p>Hear2Learn – charity being set up, currently using JDA's charity number.</p> <p>Use SoundTech for installations.</p> <p>Quiz Bingo. Raised £18000. Target is £100000.</p> <p>7 February: Special fund raising event planned. Dr Hendricks and relative of Keren will do a talk.</p> <p>Two classrooms equipped in Sinai School, Kenton. Plan to do whole school.</p> <p>Yavneh in Herts, Hertsmere in Herts – some classrooms fitted, Hertsmere in Herts.</p> <p>Collecting evidence to compare pupil progress in acoustic with non-acoustically treated classrooms.</p> <p>Priority to equip one class, hall and corridors.</p> <p>Keren has applied to various charities.</p> <p>Information about events can be sent to Jenny Gridley to put on Local Offer.</p> <p>Outcome data: currently anecdotal (since last Christmas) for panelling and soundfield.</p> <p>Maintenance of soundfield: school will ask for support for this from the charity.</p> <p>Soundfields are guaranteed for 3 years.</p> <p>Will eventually expand into nurseries.</p> <p>Carried forward: draft letter to SH for local ear mould service. (Kanwaljit Makram)</p>
3.	<p>Structure of the group</p>	

4.	Service User update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents / NLDCS • NDCS 	<p>Acoustic panelling – Keren Greene</p> <p>Parents as Partners session in January to encourage parents to get involved in CHSWG.</p> <p>NLDCS – organise regular events in the area. Karishma also mentioned Kingsbury Green School where social events are also arranged.</p> <p>BSL course is going well. Two after school plus one day time course. 3 level 1 and a level 2 course. Flyers for next September can be sent to Jenny Gridley or Ann East to put on the Local Offer. Also, send to Sebastian. Can also be passed to other CHSWGs.</p> <p>Summerside Friday group has been run by Kanwaljit Makram, Barbara Kasperska and Rayan Basma-Safieddine over the last year with some input from HI Team. EI is now back from maternity leave and able to input 2x month.</p> <p>No further information from parents.</p>
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5.	Barnet social care – children with disabilities team	No update
6.	Commissioning update Barnet local offer update	Commissioners have changed again. Mav Ghalley is Designated Medical Officer.

7.	<p>Update Education:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peripatetic team • Summerside Primary School • Hendon School • Educational Psychology Team 	<p>Advisory Team</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ann East is leading the ToD team <p>Lucy Payne 3 days a week – due to go on maternity leave in March. Advert is out for maternity leave cover.</p> <p>Vanessa Sanderson 3 days a week</p> <p>Ann 4 days a week</p> <p>Deborah Tetstill 1 day a week</p> <p>Jenny Gridley offers management to the HI, VI, PD teams.</p> <p><i>Radio aids for pre-schoolers</i></p> <p>Phil – has approached CCG who are not willing to fund as it is not statutory. Further solutions will be explored. Phil will attend next CHSWG. Email with update shared at meeting and attached to minutes.</p> <p>SH not aware of any health commissioners agreeing to fund radio aids for pre-schoolers.</p> <p>Commissioners want to see outcomes but difficult to demonstrate benefit of parents having it.</p> <p>Zoe – clinicians are supporting with setting up for those parents who wish to buy the equipment themselves.</p> <p><i>Capacity</i></p> <p>Lucy - London Peri TOD meeting. Lots of variation around the London boroughs, depending on how much money they have. There are ways of working smarter e.g. linking up with groups for children with Downs Syndrome.</p> <p>Jenny – Barnet, under High Needs Block, is squeezed due to not having more money but with an increasing population. Staff are having to do more with less.</p> <p>Summerside</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New CSW, level 2, Sally Ephgrave • S&LT – Laura started in the summer. The S&LT TA has left. EI is not regular at Summerside. • Children are seen weekly – combination of 1:1 and group. 1:1 therapy is not offered every week. • Presently have 13 children. Equipment is expensive. Children’s radio aids need upgrading.
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- Integrated receivers: these naturally go home. One has recently been lost. Discussion about issues around insurance. Discussion about issuing Roger Xs with audio shoes. UK Children's Aid Working Group – are working on a potential insurance company that would insure radio aids. Steph to take the meeting's concerns to the group.
- Most Summerside equipment is due to be replaced but the equipment budget is an issue.


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- Cathy Ward has now retired.
- 2 FT TODs – Kalpna Patel and Louise Whitaker
- Support workers 1 FTE, 0.6, 0.4
- Sign language instructor 0.2
- CSW FT
- Audiology Technician has recently been in.
- One member of staff is one long term sick, another has reduced her days, one has moved into mainstream school.
- Pupils: good grades achieved last year. Lucas (formerly Summerside) is getting on well.
- 15 children in the provision; 3 are Barnet children.
- Barbara (BSL Instructor) teaches 1 PDS student, 3 m/s children and a sixth former.
- Soundfield system checked recently.
- 6th form students mentor PDS pupils.
- Barnet S<: Laura Jabbit 3 hours a week.
- Islington S< have assessed their pupils and set targets. No direct input.
- Work on self-esteem has been delivered recently.
- Planning for 40th year celebrations.

Discussion about self-esteem.

Kerry runs a weekly group for years 5-6 deaf and vulnerable children based on NDCS Healthy Deaf Minds

		<p>and NSPCC Safe Resource. Also, a deaf curriculum is coming out soon.</p> <p>Steph – NDCS will run a campaign on SEMH. Some deaf schools have in-house programs.</p> <p>Lucy – has run assemblies to address issues.</p> <p>Keren – Website: Supporting Success for Children with Hearing Loss has lots of resources.</p>
8.	<p>Update Health:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S&L therapy • NHSP • Paediatric Audiology • Specialist Audiology Care providers 	<p>S&L Therapy EI is back but still catching up on annual leave etc.</p> <p>SH and AE met with Marion Neuman and Tom Bailey recently to discuss current issues with availability of S&LTs.</p> <p>NHSP Barnet KPI 98.6 – level met; North Central London 98.1 – level met. Fully staffed at Barnet hospital but have issues across North Central London. 3 staff have gone and 2 more will go in the new year. This has a knock-on effect on Barnet figures as screening is done by Barnet. Hoping to get funding for new equipment. All new screeners must complete the Diploma. Takes 18 months but then screeners leave. Can't cover mat leave as there is not enough time to train them. Retention is difficult. Royal Free and Barnet have rolled out EPR system. Barnet babies has been put on to Royal Free site. This takes a lot of sorting out on a daily basis. This may affect KPIs in the future.</p> <p>Paediatric Audiology Zoe – leaving after Christmas. Royal Free have given commissioners notice for the service. Not sure what will happen after Easter.</p> <p>Waiting lists are high. This is the same in all the hospitals that serve London children.</p> <p>Patient Feedback survey was excellent.</p> <p>Auditory Implant Centre/Nuffield (Steph Halder) Working towards new hospital site. AI Department – expanded so now seeing more children and adults. Reviewing radio aid fitting policy in relation to revised quality standards.</p>

9.	Terms of Reference	 Barnet CHSWG ToR - Terms of Reference 2.
10.	AOB	
11.	Next meeting dates: 45th meeting: 46th meeting:	21 March 12.30 – 3pm Summerside School 11 July 12.30 – 3pm Summerside School

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