

67th Barnet CHSWG Meeting
Children's Services Working Group
Thursday 21st March 2024

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| Time | 2:00-3:30 | Chair | Anita Biswas |
| Venue | Teams | Minutes | Yetty Meadows |

| Item | Discussion | Action(s) |
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| 1. Welcome | <p>Attendees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anita Biswas – Lead Advisory Teacher of the Deaf, Barnet. Joanna Wanmer – NDCS Kim Miller – Head of Service, Specialist Teacher and Inclusion service, Barnet. Rachel Blowes – UCLH ICTOD Morasha D'Souza – Paediatric Audiologist, Whittington Health, St Michaels hospital. Sharlene Beveridge – Deputy Manager for NBHSP (Barnet, Enfield, Haringey.) Kerry White, Lead TOD Summerside. Karishma Parehk, TOD Summerside. Natalie Palmer, Integrated Therapy Assistant, Hearing Support Pathway. El Eshun – Pathway Lead, Hearing, Listening & Communication Rehabilitation Pathway, Highly Specialist Speech and Language Therapist Yetty Meadows – Specialist Speech and Language Therapist, Hearing Support Pathway. Julia Mansell – Lead Therapist Transitions Pathway. (NHS SaLT) Simone Banks – Advisory Teacher of the Deaf, Barnet. Deborah Tetstill – Advisory Teacher of the Deaf, Barnet. <p>Apologies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vibha Mistry – Chief Paediatric Audiologist, Whittington Health, St Michaels hospital. Lisa York – Local Manager for NBHSP (Barnet, Enfield, Haringey.) | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kalpna Patel – Teacher of the Deaf at Hendon School (Acting Lead at Hendon School) • Saijal – Parent | |
| 2. Review of actions from previous meeting minutes | Minutes from last meeting could not be found at this time. | |
| 3. KM presenting about the SEND and AP Improvement Plan from the Department for Education | <p>Presentation: Barnet is leading 1 of the 9 CPPs which includes Camden, Islington and Enfield Number of areas in focus including: national standards to increase consistency; establishing SEND and Alternative Provision (AP) partnerships – what is available and how it will be commissioned; introduction of standardised EHCP and digitising the process; providing tailored lists to parents of of suitable placements; improving staff training e.g. ‘Early Years SENCOs’ (must remember our secondary schools); a tiered approach to PRUs; inclusion dashboards for all boroughs nationally; new framework for banding/level of funding; transitions to adulthood; improving targeted and universal support for children with SLCN. Barnet is ahead in some areas e.g. TA deployment. There will be a new EHCP Proforma and various Task and finish groups.</p> <p>Questions: NDCS JW asked re low incidence high need deaf population how does KM see CHSWG supporting this work and parental involvement going forward? E.g. parent carer forums. Task finish group representation. Barent parent carer forum has over 400 parents involved now and are very responsive. Anita can get representatives and bring ideas back to CSHWG.</p> <p>JM reported Barnet SLT team have now got a band 7 to support this work but recruiting for ITAs. This will take time.</p> | |
| 4. Service Updates | KW Summerside is growing, there’s a couple of children on the horizon | |

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| | <p>KP emailed re Hendon – no changes since last meeting</p> <p>Lisa emailed re NBHSP</p> <p>RB – UCLH currently quiet on Barnet front, but BAU continues. AB thanked RB and said UCLH relationship is very efficient and they provide helpful reports – all agreed.</p> <p>EAE Naomi returning to SLT after mat leave in May. Thanks to Caroline for covering the past 10-11 months. Hearing support pathway are now accepting children with mild to moderate or unilateral sensorineural deafness. Accepted first unilateral-profound.</p> <p>MD – new Audiology manager Lina starting in April</p> <p>AB – Barnet peripatetic TOD team losing sensory technician. Looking for a TOD with a responsibility for Audiology. Baby group doing well but would like to expand numbers so trying to launch a BSL singing group (targeted). Starting a youth group for age 8-13.</p> | |
| 5. AOB | <p>KW struggling with nursery pathway at the moment. Assessment places with Barnet funding while applying for EHCP is not allowed anymore. So no clear pathway or funding stream – less funding than needed. Causing delays to children accessing specialist nursery places. Does anyone have ideas? Waiting for panel delays start dates in nursery. JW said she would pick up with her colleagues as NDCS attend 136 CHSWGs.</p> <p>YM suggested CHSWG meeting once a term with a more focused approach, rather than twice a term. DT said we could vote and suggested maybe a guest speaker for people who want to attend. JW raised what do we do with meetings, action plan discussed but not sure where its got to. Better to focus on 1-2 things and maintain momentum. Parents will get discouraged if their involvement doesn't achieve anything.</p> | <p>JW to send update report to our CHSWG members.</p> <p>DT to raise meeting frequency with AB</p> |

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| 6. Next meeting | Planned 23.05.2024 4pm-5pm online MS teams Minute taker to be Yetty or Deborah Please take a moment to look through this video and booklet if you can it was shared by a TOD at the HOSSEDS and it is a parent to parent resource that hopefully everyone will find useful and informative: Parent Booklet - Example version anonymous.mp4 - Google Drive | |
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