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Group Advisory Board

Venue: Badger Valley Childrens Centre
Date/Time: Monday 29th February 2016 9.30am

ITEM	ACTION
1 – Welcome by Chair – Ellen Stone. Previous minutes agreed.	
2 – Childrens Centre Update Lighthorne Heath – Only 7 in the nursery at present. Childrens Centre fully staffed and all EYFW's fully trained. Level 2 course running at the centre. Stay and play has been updated and is now called Little Explorers, this is more structured and in line with the PQR. Registration rates have stayed at a similar level. Attending toddler groups to gain registrations has had little or no impact, so this will be discontinued. Badger Valley/Wellies – see Debbie's Childrens centre update attached Counselling is popular, 50% are self-referrals. Book start and 2 Help discussed.	
Nurseries These are running at a huge loss. A sufficiency exercise will be run across all 3 nurseries by the Parenting Project. Discussion over fund raising and getting people through the door. People unaware that the Badger Valley nursery is there. Suggestion that feedback is obtained to see what people want from a nursery.	
Family Support Work Other centres have streamlined what they are doing. Our numbers are a lot lower than in other centres. Trying not to allow cases to drag on, opening and closing once targets achieved, even if this means re-opening at a later date. Discussed that families need support when they go to school but there is no support available. Referrals to Priority Families take too long. Sarah explained that there was a bid for funding with Orbit Housing for over 5's to have support workers in other centres.	
Smart Start consultation discussed.	
CAB Update Reach Out and Help has been running for the last 3 years but is due to finish at the end of March. A bid has been put in, to the Lottery, to extend this to	

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<p>cover all of South Warwickshire. New 3 month project running in conjunction with the Doctors called Healthy Homes, funded by British Gas energy trust. Running out of Alcester and Quinton Dr surgeries. Focus on heating.</p>	
<p>Health Visiting Fenny Compton HV to move to Southam. Janice (HV at Kineton) to move to Shipston. Shipston HV team relocating to Ellen Badger due to space. Caseloads are doubling – staffing is up to date. Baby Steps put on hold Becki asked Ellen Stone about how the changes to the HV service will impact on services including the post-natal sessions that currently LHCC and Janice work together on and how data will be shared in the future re inviting the correct families. Ellen explained she could not see a problem going forward and we would be able to continue to contact the families to invite them to the programme with Janice dipping in and out of the sessions.</p>	
<p>3 Performance management Sarah explained the performance management. Overall our data is higher than average. We are meeting targets for priority groups and due to funding cuts this is where we have to focus. Discussion regarding the drop in attendance of over 3's. Sam expressed what a positive experience she has always had in the centre. Does not feel labelled. Ellen verbalised her appreciation of the children's centres and what they do alongside the HV team.</p>	<p>Emily to show and explain full document to Natalie and Sam</p>
<p>4 Parent feedback Always positive, it was expressed what a shame it would be if the nursery had to close. Both parents present felt that the nursery was more than just a nursery, it supported the parent, helped them meet new people, had amazing staff and was very personalised. Email read out from Hannah Emes. It was agreed that the service would be beneficial but would need a thorough discussion. The perinatal psychology team offer counselling for parents with babies under 6 months of age but not after this. Discussed future services and mindfulness as an option.</p>	<p>Emily to Forwards email to Sarah Hudson</p>
<p>6 Safeguarding/Prevent duty Parenting Project had a safeguarding training day where all staff completed Prevent Training</p>	
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New IRS form to be emailed out, should go live tomorrow CAB doing an energy best deal workshop.	
7 Next meeting May 9 th @ 9.30am at Lighthorne Heath CC	