

## Group Advisory Board

Venue: Wellies Children's Centre

Date/Time: 13 February 2018

ITEM	ACTION
<p><b>1 Welcome and Apologies</b></p> <p>Manjit welcomed everybody to the meeting and everyone introduced themselves.</p> <p>Apologies were given.</p> <p>The previous meeting's minutes were agreed and signed. There is to be a slight amendment to the e wheels section '(see section 6)</p> <p><b>2 Children's Centre Update:</b></p> <p><u>Wellesbourne:</u></p> <p>All groups are busy currently and we have just run a successful Toddler Chatter Matters course. The health visitors clinic is very busy and enables us to sign up new babies onto courses. Childminder group is also popular. Baby Massage and Chatter matters are fully booked up.</p> <p><u>Lighthorne Heath:</u></p> <p>There are just two staff at the moment. Boogie Tots is very popular. The Nurturing program is running currently with a crèche. There are around 6 families taking part. Messy Explorers is in Temple Hardwick at the moment which enables outdoor activities to take place and outreach also takes place in Kineton. At the moment we are supporting 12 families.</p> <p><u>Badger Valley</u></p> <p>Still providing a full timetable. Only two workers at the moment. Closed on two days. The refuge drop in and counselling services are both well received. Family support is busy and currently there is a waiting list.</p>	
<p><b>3. New Beginnings:</b></p>	

<p>We have a further 23% cut as of April. Overall we have had a 55% cut from the original full cc budget 4 years ago. The original proposal in June was to close all centres in Stratford district except Alcester which would become a family hub. However the outcome of the consultation via the county council was to keep three centres, one in Lighthorne heath, one in Stratford and one in Alcester. These will be managed by the Parenting Project.</p> <p>Badger valley will remain an outreach centre. Southam will have a base there but be relocated. Studley and Clopton will be reassigned. At Wellies we hope the health visitors will stay. We also hope to continue to use the building for outreach. We are awaiting guidance from WCC as to how the advisory boards are to be set up and managed. In around 12 months there may be an opportunity to offer services and support to the over 5's.</p> <p>We would like a co-ordinated approach Nationally. Elaine is part of a non-partisan commissioning group named Strong Start which aims to make this happen.</p> <p>The three new centres will aim to offer Baby Chatter Matters, Baby Massage and Stay and Play at all outreach sites.</p> <p>Tracey Baker from Library will meet with Manjit Evans regarding how the Wellesbourne building will be utilised going forward from April.</p> <p>The Parenting Project has appointed a new community development and volunteer manager – Graham Lowther. He will coordinate all of the community groups and manage volunteers from 1<sup>st</sup> April.</p>	<p>ME EJ</p>
<p><b>4. Quarterly Data and Target Groups:</b></p> <p>The South group's data was explained for quarter three. Under 2's data all pleasing except for sustained engagement at Lighthorne. Nicky reassured members that once a full staff team is in place in April the data will improve.</p> <p>It is a similar picture for the under 5's registration, engagement and sustained engagement. The Priority targets were explained and all registration data is green/amber. We discussed flagging and the complications that go with it on softsmart. Overall all PTG's are reached and are engaging.</p>	
<p><b>5. Safeguarding:</b></p> <p>All trustees, staff and volunteers have DBS checks and are fully trained on safeguarding matters.</p> <p><b>Our safeguarding procedures and policies are extremely robust and</b></p>	

<p><b>safeguarding will continue to be a priority going forward with the new centre model.</b></p>	
<p><b>6. Information Sharing from Partners</b></p> <p>Jess D – Holly K has been appointed in a new role in library who is based at Wellesbourne.</p> <p>Jo M (HV) – Portage would like to use the creche room on a Friday morning and has spoken to Jess about this. Gill H is the contact for this.</p> <p><b>Update from Bob Sherman from Harbury E-Wheels</b></p> <p>We are separate from the commercial company that supplies the cars. The cars belong to E-Car Club, which has a natural network of hubs, one of them in Harbury, Harbury e-Wheels books these cars for serving the community (at a subsidised rate).</p>	
<p><b>7. Date of next meeting</b></p> <p>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018 1:00pm -2:30pm , this will take place at Wellesbourne Children’s Centre, Wellesbourne Library, Kineton Road, CV35 9NF.</p>	