



Wicklow Children and Young People's Services Committee Representatives' Reporting Template

1. Name of Committee

Wicklow Children and Young People's Services Committee

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2. Name of Representative(s)

Alice O'Donnell, aliceodonnell6@gmail.com, 087 2410942 (PPN Representative).

Rosemary Yeates, ryeates@crosscare.ie, 01 2050502 (Bray Youth Service and East Wicklow Youth Service)

Andrew Jackson, andrewjackson@ispcc.ie, 0404 66933 (I.S.P.C.C.)

Geraldine O'Hara, geraldineohara@docharity.ie, 01 8425100 (Daughters of Charity)

3. Date of meetings

1st December 2017

4. Date of next meeting

19th January 2018

5. Update on work of group

Two new members welcomed - Siobhan Fitzpatrick, Head of Service, HSE CHO6 and Irene Keogh, Education Welfare Services - Tusla

ASD Event held on the 20th October - 78 attendees. It is hoped to complete the Conference Report for the next meeting

Healthy Ireland funding of €38,400 approved for 14 actions by 7 implementers for the county

Draft Guidance in relation to participation of young people in CYPSCs was discussed and feedback to go to DCYA

First Draft Critical Incident Protocol for Co. Wicklow. Approval by HSE CHO 6 Senior Management to consider a cross-county CIP was noted.

Outcomes Based Accountability Training available for CYPSC members in February 2018

E-Learning Module and suite of documents have been developed by Tusla that can be used by any agency in relation to Children First available from www.tusla.ie. Further detailed information to follow in relation to Child Safeguarding Statements.



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6. Subgroup Updates:

<p>Outcome 1: Youth Mental Health</p>	<p>Met on 21st November Referral Pathway to be updated and re-circulated in Jan 18 to include Sophia Counselling in West Wicklow Wicklow and Arklow local Youth Mental Health Campaigns ran from 16th October for one week - Wicklow walk on Friday attended by Minister Harris - very successful event Post Primary School Questionnaire prepared by KWETB and circulated by Fionnuala - deadline 15th December Awaiting word on IPPN circulation of primary school questionnaire Jigsaw undergoing audit and cannot proceed with new sites until audit has been completed Sleep Programme resource to launch in January 2018 HSE CHO6 approval received to progress Critical Incident Protocol for Co. Wicklow ASD care pathway being developed nationally - awaiting further information Clinical Nurse Specialist post appointed to CHO6 to address current unmet need for targeted adolescent drug and alcohol support/treatment service Bray Local DATF has no Co-ordinator at present ECDATF has embarked on a Community Action on Alcohol approach to harm reduction and is looking to focus work in the Arklow area - currently seeking some research assistance</p>
<p>Outcome 1: Physical Health</p>	<p>Met on 25th April and 3 Healthy Ireland meetings Jul/Aug/Sept - meeting again on the 14th December All members to provide updates to Co-ordinator on activity in 2016 and planned activity for 2017 for the workplan. Approval received for Healthy Ireland Application on the 23rd November - spend to take place by 31st March 2018.</p>
<p>Outcome 2: Learning & Development</p>	<p>Meeting to be arranged in early 2018. Date to be agreed. Two new members to come on board Irene Keogh (Education Welfare Services) and Lindsay Malone (Carlow IT - Wicklow Campus). Transition tools ready for circulation - guidance to be developed to accompany the Primary to Post-Primary tool (Emer Breen) - Irene Keogh has offered assistance</p>



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<p>Outcome 3: PPFS (Safe & Secure)</p>	<p>Met 14th November Three CFSN meetings in Sept/October. DunLaoghaire IADT has come on board the Child & Youth Participation Project to advance work on the child-friendly website Template developed to gather information on hidden homelessness www.parentingsupport.ie updated to take Wicklow courses and this is to commence from January 2018 - Fionnuala to maintain listing for 2018 until website is being widely used Refugee Reunification group to be prioritised in 2018 Cybersafeireland Interim report very positive feedback from teachers and parents - hope to secure funding to continue this initiative into 2018 Task Group being established to look at Online Safety work with parents (keeping in mind Safer Internet Day - 6th Feb 18) DSGBV Advisory Committee - draft Needs Analysis circulated to group and meeting held 30th November 2017</p>
<p>Outcome 4 and Change Management</p>	<p>Meets in advance of most CYPSC meetings Invitation to an LCDC Meeting to deliver presentation - awaited Aftercare Steering Committee met on Friday, 17th November. Aftercare Briefings held in Glenview for the area. Accommodation for leavers is significant issue as well as supports for young people who would be unable to maintain a tenancy or live independently without support. HSE representation on this committee needs to be followed-up. Capital Assistance Scheme will provide 5 rolling units for Aftercare leavers from the area moving forward and it is hoped these will come on-stream in 2018. Further work on Tusla Data Hub to take place in Q1 2018 with Outcomes Based Accountability workshops - 9 places for Wicklow Wicklow Community Directory - seeking a new Chairperson CYPSC Co-ordinators' Network cancelled in November but due to meet briefly on the 5th December prior to Healthy Ireland briefing National CYPSC Co-ordinator to be back in post shortly</p>
<p>Outcome 5: Connected & Respected</p>	<p>Met 30th November Workplan reviewed and progress on actions agreed. Guidance from DCYA on participation of young person on CYPSC received and feedback to be provided Comhairle Steering Committee meeting again 12th December 2017 Participation Questionnaire reviewed and amended and being prepared electronically for circulation in early 2018 Follow up with Comhairle and other youth groups on challenges of transport issues acting as barrier to accessing services</p>



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	<p>Participation of children and young people in Tusla initiatives ongoing e.g. Agenda Days and Meitheal</p> <p>Youth Work service in West Wicklow formal launch took place in September and outreach bus to commence in early 2018</p> <p>Still awaiting call for applications to LEADER regarding South Wicklow Youth Work service</p> <p>Youth Work Committee established through KWETB and 2 Wicklow CYPSC reps attending</p> <p>Progress on expansion of Shelf-Help to all Wicklow Libraries agreed and materials passed to Comhairle for review</p> <p>Wicklow County Childcare Committee continuing to deliver Diversity, Equality Inclusion training to ECCE services in Wicklow throughout 2017</p> <p>Progress in relation to LGBT actions still outstanding - materials sourced through Wexford CYPSC being considered</p> <p>Healthy Relationships small piece of research on issues being experienced using HI funding to be undertaken</p>
<p>West Wicklow Subgroup</p>	<p>Met 27th November</p> <p>A PHN Rep has now joined the committee</p> <p>Hear My Voice event in Blessington in September was well attended and very successful - Group in Carnew now seeking similar event</p> <p>Glending Group hoping to make a LEADER application if they meet criteria</p> <p>HALO continue to provide one day a week in Blessington and this services needs to be promoted more widely</p> <p>Young person identified at the event who contributed to ASD event</p> <p>West Wicklow Youth Project research still awaited</p> <p>Work in youth project going well and funding application to be submitted shortly for project to continue</p>

7. Most important actions or issues emerging from a Community & Voluntary perspective

- New Co. Wicklow Community Directory - please ensure that you are listed and that your listing is accurate. Visit <https://www.wicklowcommunitydirectory.ie/>
- If you are interested in hearing more about any of the topics discussed or to participate on relevant CYPSC subgroups please contact Fionnuala. (087 6043511 or fionnuala.curry@tusla.ie)
- If you wish to provide information for sharing on the national CYPSC website please contact Fionnuala.
- If you wish to raise issues through the Community and Voluntary Sector Representatives please contact them directly (details provided above).