

VCS Networks Report for Commissioning Executive Sub Group Meeting:

Membership

Children and Young People Providers (CYPP) Network members:

There are 160 organisation members of the CYPPN

Vulnerable Adult Provider (VAP) Network members

There are 179 organisation members of the VAPN

Advocates:

The networks are well connected in the city and we currently support representatives on the following forums:

- Safeguarding Children's Board and its sub groups (learning and improvement, QA)
- Safeguarding Adult Board and its sub groups (learning and improvement and QA)
- Health and Wellbeing Board
- Children's Partnership Board

The networks have established links with over 48 different strategic boards, networks and steering groups across the City. There are ten individual advocates who are supported to represent the voice of the voluntary sector through the networks.

Network Meetings

Children and Young Peoples Provider Network Meetings

A CYPPN meeting was held in November 2016, January 2017 and March 2017

Each meeting took feedback from representatives who had attended the following meetings:

Children's Partnership Board VCS Rep update
SSBC update
Nottingham City Safeguarding Children's Board

The guests at the Network meeting were a group of young people who are part of the CCG commissioned Future Pulse service. The young people had just returned from the NHS Expo in Manchester where their project was being acknowledged by Simon Stevens (head of NHS). The group are involved in the Your Welcome Standard and shared with us how they could work with VCS organisations to help them achieve the Your Welcome Standard.

- Bethan Hopcraft, Strategy and Commissioning Officer at the Nottingham Crime and Drugs Partnership discussed the Young Persons Substance Misuse contract review.
- Ashley Dunstan from The Tomorrow Project came to talk to us about the suicide prevention pathway and self-harm pathways. The tomorrow project was recently decommissioned by the CCG and LA and has found some funding via the university to run their project for a further year.
- Alison Kirk, Nottingham City CCG, community partnerships programme .The CCG is going to asking VCS groups to carry out engagement on its behalf, as they know the community's better and have that links and access that the CCG doesn't
- Lisa Elliker, Nottingham City Council, LION directory.Lisa gave an overview of the new lion directory. The directory is written in to both the Health and Wellbeing plan and the STP. It will feature links to other groups websites and search functions such as the NCVS search for groups
- Lisa Elliker, Nottingham City Council, review of the family support pathway
The current family pathway document was only meant to be a holding document whilst a new one was being reviewed and developed.
- Lucy Peel, Future in Mind
Future in mind is about working together to develop and implement a simplified, responsive and efficient pathway that supports and improves the emotional wellbeing and mental health needs of children and young people in Nottingham
- Holly Neill and John Matravers from the safeguarding Children's Board shared information on the rethinking of did not attend animation and how the sector works with the board. Including advertising of safeguarding training offered via the networks.

Vulnerable Adult Provider Network Meetings

A VAPN meeting was held in November 2016 and January 2017. The next meeting is scheduled for 23 March 2017.

Advocates fed back on their work on the health and wellbeing board and the Nottingham City Adult Safeguarding Board

Our guests were:

- Helen Jones, Director for Adult Social Services at Nottingham City Council who told us more about her role in the city.
- Nick Murphy from POWhER spoke to us about the new advocacy service that started delivering from end October 2016.
- Antony Dixon from Nottingham City Homes came to tell us about the changes in the delivery of assistive technology. This is part of the self-care work that the network has been involved in over the last year.
- Rasool Gore commissioning officer at Nottingham City Council came to explore our thoughts on mental health supported accommodation. The review aims to streamline services and ensure better outcomes.
- Councillor Alex Norris, Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board, The importance of VCS engagement in the health and wellbeing plan Cllr Norris gave us a bit of background about himself. He is a councillor for Basford Ward. And on the Council as a member of the Executive Board with special responsibility for the Council's Adults and Health portfolio and chairs the City's Health and Wellbeing Board.
- Krista Blair, Nottingham City Council, LAEO . The Looking After Each Other or LAEO campaign has been re launched, and you may have seen the logo at bus stops and a range of events happening in the City over the next few weeks.
- Michelle Forbes & Karla Banfield – LION Directory. The new LION directory fits within the healthy cultures part of the health and wellbeing plan. The directory is written in to both the Health and Wellbeing plan and the STP. It will feature links to other groups websites and search functions such as the NCVS search for groups.
- Alison Kirk - Community Partnerships Programme. The CCG is going to asking VCS groups to carry out engagement on its behalf, as they know the community's better and have that links and access that the CCG doesn't.

Training

Since November 2016 we have trained 103 people in safeguarding children and adults and have a number of courses scheduled for March, May, June and September 2017. There is also training on offer via some of the ABG leads in localities and areas.

2.3 Networks showcase event:

A showcase event took place on Friday 9 December at the NCVS Voluntary Action Centre.

The keynote speakers were Dawn Smith, Chief officer from the City CCG and Katy Ball, Director of commissioning and procurement for Nottingham City Council.

A series of workshops followed to explore the direct services being commissioned and the future opportunities for the voluntary and community sector. These were led by commissioners from both the CCG and Nottingham City Council.

Workshops included:

- Transformation of services for people with learning disabilities
- Public Health Budgets
- New models of care and the five year forward view
- Sustainability and transformation plan
- Mental health accommodation service review
- The proposed integration of children's services.

Each workshop explored what the commissioning of these services will look like in the future and will also look at voluntary and community sector involvement in the co-design, co-production and delivery of these services

We ended the day with a Q & A panel session where we invited delegates to submit questions throughout the day for the panel to answer. The panel members were

Sarah Collis - self-help Nottingham

Alison Kirk – Nottingham City CCG

Jane Laughton – STP Team

Maria Ward – Networks and Policy Officer – VAPN / CYPPN – Nottingham CVS

Christine Oliver - Commissioning and Procurement – Nottingham City Council

Throughout the day we filmed a short video to promote the VCS involvement in the STP. This is now available on our website and highlights the diverse workforce that we have in the VCS.

You can view this film here at <http://www.nottinghamcvs.co.uk/vcsstp.html>

Network Officers work

The Networks Officer and Coordinator are actively involved in task and finish groups and steering groups. This ensures that the VCS has up to date information and is involved in co-producing services.

Work undertaken on behalf of the VAPN and CYPN included:

- Health and Housing Partnership - new committee looking at how housing impacts on health of citizens including children and young people.
- Crisis concordat Board and task and finish group – looking at mental health crisis care in the city
- Sustainability and transformation workforce planning – the role of the VCS in new models of care – NHS. Work is ongoing here to establish how the VCS can deliver alongside the proposed STP's that have recently been submitted to NHS England.
- Bank of England Round Table - Governor Mark Carney came to talk to the VCS about issues including poverty, debt and the impact of monetary policy.
- Workforce development steering group – worked to deliver the ECM event on mental health and planning for the safeguarding event in Q4
- Met police and crime commissioner to consider how his young person's priority and work for the wider community fits with the work of the network
- Attended Children and Young People scrutiny meeting where we discussed capital improvements to schools and the sustainability of children's social workers.
- Met with the director of public health to talk about the network and its membership – also about the BME health needs assessment and the health and wellbeing plan.
- SPLAT celebration event – committee looking at the needs of people with learning disabilities in the city.
- Black Achievers Awards – attended and presented volunteering award. NCVS were involved in the planning of the event for 2017 - planned for October 2017.
- JSNA steering group – talking about the latest JSNA chapters and how VCS data can be used to support the writing of JSNA. Currently working on the SEND chapter. Signed an agreement to assure that all chapters are viewed by network members prior to finalisation.

- CCG work – ensuring that more people are engaged with the work of the CCG and working on a project around seldom heard voices.
- Children’s safeguarding board and Safeguarding Adult Board meetings
- Wrote a pledge on how the VCS will work in partnership with the board to protect young people and vulnerable adults in Nottingham and we have had our safeguarding training endorsed by the safeguarding board
- Presented at health and wellbeing board development day about the work of the network and the BME health Needs Assessment
- Children’s partnership board – Roma community and education, reducing youth violence and the YP substance misuse services.
- Schools forum – children and young people with behavioural problems and how the network can work closer with academies and maintained schools
- Deaf society – how the VCS can best meet the needs of the community.
- Learning and Improvement sub group – part of the safeguarding board – looking at where our training fits with the other training being offered by the board.
- Opportunity Nottingham Board meeting and system change meeting. NCVS have won the contract to deliver the Practice Development Unit (PDU)
- Primary Care Mental Health Service Steering Group
- Department of Work and Pension (DWP) to discuss the implications of back benefit payments to vulnerable people in one lump sum and the problems for both service users and the providers.
- Mark Carney the governor of the bank of England came to talk to the VCS as part of his national roadshows.

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