

Child and Family Chapter Meeting Notes - Internal

Date: Thursday 18th October 2018
Venue: Griffith University, Meadowbrook Room
Chair: Sandra Fields, Logan Together

Time: 9:00 am
Minutes: Ellen Ferris, Salvation Army

Attendance: Please see list below

Item	Discussion/Decision	Action Required
1. Acknowledgment of Country, Welcome, Introductions, Apologies	<p>Louisa Whettam provided an acknowledgement to country.</p> <p>Sandra Fields welcomed everyone. Attendance and apologies are recorded below. New members and guests attending for the first time or who had not been for some time introduced themselves - Jasmine Melling (Logan City Council – new member), Tanya Collins McCoy (DSS – guest), Wendy Cupples (Carers Qld – guest presenter), Nadine Lepre (Benevolent Society – former member and guest)</p>	
2. Minutes from the previous Connect	<p>The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted.</p> <p>Previous Actions - All previous actions which are due for review are included in the items below, are on the reverse page or have been completed.</p>	
3. Getting to Action	<p>Ellen Ferris advised that this is now a standing agenda item and it reflects that Getting to Action is one of the Chapter’s priorities and the challenges faced in achieving progress given the volume of change in attendance at meetings. Ellen explained that the Chapter is a strategic forum and progress is best achieved with a consistent membership group. Additionally, she explained the process for seeking membership, the agenda setting process and the expectations of members in regard to reporting on issues and projects.</p>	
STRATEGIC		
There were no Strategic Items for this meeting.		
ACTION		
4. Father Engagement	<p>Glenn Hodgson provided an update on Father Engagement and the Logan Men’s Health Network. He advised that Men’s Health Network has been running for nearly 12 months and has been focussed on relationship building and working with others in the sector. Activities have included the Black Dog Walk which 100 people attended, Toolbox Talks, the Dad Joke Comedy Night, and practitioner support. A new men’s group is starting up at the Loganlea Community Centre on Saturdays. The aim of the Logan Men’s Health Network group is to raise awareness of men’s mental health. On 2 December a workshop will be held to develop the Logan Men’s Network Operational Plan</p>	

	(LMNOP) considering the issues and gaps in service. Action: Glenn is to send the details to Ellen for circulation.	
5. Men’s Mental Health TradeMutt - Proposal of a project for funding	<p>Glenn Hodgson wearing a colourful shirt with the words on the back “This is a conversation starter” spoke about the TradeMutt group https://trademutt.com/. This group arose from a group of 3 mates all chippies who had been friends for a while and one day one didn’t turn up for work and suicided. The other two came up with the TradeMutt concept – visiting work sites wearing colourful shirts as conversation starters with the idea being a fun and interesting way to get guys talking to each other about topics including mental health. Glenn advised that males make up 80-90% of the suicide cases and in Qld that is several men each week. Suicide prevention programs are not enough and are not always reaching people. This approach provides deeper engagement and sustainability and if one conversation saves a life then it is worthwhile. Glenn’s vision is that some money can be donated to allow purchase of a number of shirts. He is seeking \$1,000 if possible. Glenn will take the shirts to some workplaces with 10 minute chat over smoko and then after 3 months see what the impact has been and if the program can be expanded. The shirt and the chat in the workplace are supported by a magnet with tips about how to have the conversation.</p> <p>Chapter members supported the idea. Debbie Miscamble advised that CfC has funded 6 shirts and Michael Jacobs and Uncle Barry will wear 2 of them. Carrie Rose committed \$250 of funding. Kim Wright agreed to fund the purchase of 2 shirts. Logan Together Backbone will match Carrie’s contribution and Matthew Cox can wear one.</p> <p>Suggestions for contacts and workplaces include Men’s Sheds, Bunnings (perhaps hosting a sausage sizzle specific to this initiative), Chamber of Commerce, Lions, Logan Brothers, Logan Old boys, Headspace.</p>	
6. Sure Steps	Christine Grose was not able to attend today so this item will be held over until next time	
7. Children Together Update	Carrie Rose spoke about the testing of the Logan Charter of Children’s Wellbeing (as attached) at this week’s Council’s launch of Listen2Connect - A Guideline for Engaging with Children, Youth and Young Adults in the City of Logan. Carrie advised that the Children Together group have been working alongside Erin Searle from Council and aligning the work of the group with the Council guideline. Carrie advised that the group is working on the development of a Tool Kit to engage with very young children, a piece of work funded by Communities for Children. Carrie and Kirstine Hand are doing most of the work on the development of the Tool Kit. It is expected that a small activity pitched at under 2’s and then other group will be conducted over November /December. Then feedback will be gathered by the end of February with the aim to provide a final report at the end of May. After this the group may be seeking further funding for roll out. The aim is to make the Tool Kit and Charter user friendly. Ellen Ferris thanked Chapter members for the feedback they had provided to the first draft of the Charter.	

INFORMATION SHARING

<p>8. NDIS - Carers Qld/LAC Local Area Coordination - Team Leader for Community Development for the NDIS</p>	<p>Wendy Cupples, Community Development Team, Carers Qld advised that her organisation was a Partner in the Community delivering Local Area Coordination (LAC) Services for the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) for people 7 years and over. Her team has been getting out into the community and has found there is a lot of misinformation. She advised that it has taken some time to get LACs on the ground and Carer's Qld was still filling positions. The qualifications required are a minimum of a Cert 3 in a human services field however lived experience, empathy and compassion are important. Clients who wish to access services under the NDIS need to apply for access unless they are already with DSQ. Wendy's team supports people in applying for access. Applicants need evidence of the disability and how it impacts on their daily life. After NDIS access is granted clients meet with LACs and the staff look at their goals and put together a plan to send off to NDIA which then puts \$'s to the plan. The plan is for 12 months and then reviewed. It is important to let people know that not getting support before does not mean they won't get it under NDIS. Carer's Qld wants to build the capacity of the community and is working on mapping what services are available and filling the gaps. There is an open door every Tuesday – 1-3 pm at the Carer's Qld office, Level 1 Cnr Carmody St and Ewing Rd, Woodridge old Centrelink building (phone: 3441 3611) – see attached flyer. Carer's Qld are able to provide information sessions at other locations. Night time sessions and with CALD clients were suggested.</p> <p>Nadine Lepre advised that NDIS Early Childhood Early Intervention (ECEI) being delivered by The Benevolent Society supports children 0-6 years with developmental delay or disability. Nadine will arrange for a presentation on this next month. will do a presentation next month – question – problems with getting a diagnosis, important thing is the functional impacts</p> <p>Denise Foley indicated that there was some need for assistance with getting a diagnosis. In the discussion we heard that there are varying requirements from the services involved in NDIS administration – some need a diagnosis for others it is not so important.</p> <p>Sandra Fields suggested getting people together to have a chat about the issues and then e-mailing questions to Nadine Lepre so she can prepare for the presentation for next meeting. Susan Cary suggested approaching Inclusion Support so they hear the information directly.</p> <p>Ellen Beaumont advised that the NDIS legislation is quite easy to read and the NDIS website has good information.</p> <p>Logan Together is involved in the NDIS in Logan: Strategic Learning Group.</p>	
<p>9. Logan Together Wider Update</p>	<p>Sandra Fields presented the Logan Together Projects Update which has been developed for the Cross Sector Leadership Table (as attached). In response to questions Sandra provided some more detail on the following:</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Gateways – the draft paper was circulated after the last Chapter and some members have provided feedback. A meeting about this will be held in the near future. • Kindy Participation – looking at barriers, cost, transport, cultural and issues relating to Indigenous community. Some work being done by the Backbone team in advocating for government to make kindy free, also seeking funding for some scholarships for free kindy. • Strong Parenting – this project is exploring how we support parents in the parenting role including information and self-efficacy aspects. No working group has yet been established. An Early Years website has been developed and Sharon Worboys from the Backbone Team is looking for content. • Backing Young Parents – Denise Foley spoke about this. There have been some recent changes with this project group. A meeting will be held in November when Penny Goodall is back. The project group needs people involved who are working with young parents under 19. • Logan Engagement Institute – the focus is about bringing together people who work around community engagement and ensure we increase our skills, and do it in a coordinated way. Due to the volume of other activity at the moment this has been put on hold for 6 months and is expected to start off next year. • First Three Years – not much has happened. Some of these groups related to this are driven by the Chapter and as we progress we might consider whether we still want to have them. Susan Cary spoke of the interweave between projects and how this changes and moves. • The update of the project document will be done in March/April 2019. <p>Sandra also spoke about ChangeFest, a National conference event being held 19-23 November. The main days are Tuesday to Thursday. On Monday, <i>ChangeFest UnBoxed</i> will bring together people from communities all around the country. The ChangeFest organisers are funding places for 20 people from around the country and want as many Logan people there as possible. Denise Foley suggested that organisations consider sponsoring community members to attend. Sandra advised that she has been coordinating with Aunty Faith Green and a meeting with elders is to be held this Friday. Aunty Faith spoke about the priority to consult with the First Nations people and the feeling that this was occurring as a last thought and not at the forefront of planning. Sandra acknowledged that there were lessons to be learned from the ChangeFest planning process. Carrie Rose advised that children’s work exhibition pieces will be on display at the conference and children from Rosie’s are entering into the video competition.</p>	
GENERAL BUSINESS		
10. Any questions about Issues or Projects	There were no questions.	
11. Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marilyn Casely advised that Early Childhood Australia has arranged for a workshop to be held on 13 November for early career practitioners working in the area of early childhood using the Circle of Change Revisited (COCR) process. Jenny Cartmel, Kerry Smith and Marilyn will be facilitating. The discussion topic 	

	<p>will be Ethics in Action. A flyer will be coming soon.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helen Tamashiro advised that the Prime Minister will deliver a National Apology to victims and survivors of Institutional Child Sexual Abuse on Monday 22nd October. • Debbie Miscamble advised of some issues that were presenting as a result of changes in regard to mandatory requirements for ParentsNext clients. Parents are reporting that they have been advised of mandatory attendance at playgroups or community hubs and this is causing a high level of confusion/angst. It was agreed that we would invite some from the Department to talk about the changes that have occurred. It will be important to gather questions • Ellen Beaumont advised that Cindy from Lil Bug Love has been nominated for a Safe City award. Also Angela TuiSamoa advised that Communities for Children, Tasmania is supporting the Lil Bug Love initiative. • Grainne Taia advised that on 27 October, Walk Together Logan, will be held. The walk will begin from Logan City Tenpin at 11am and will end at Access Gateway from 11.30am with a welcome and celebration to be held afterwards. 	
<p>12. Next meeting – date, time, venue</p>	<p>The next meeting will be held from 9 am on 15 November in the Meadowbrook Room, Griffith Uni</p>	

Child and Family Chapter Meeting - Issues and Updates, Projects –18 October 2018

Issues and Updates: **Highlighted comments – no update since the previous or earlier meetings**

Issue	Status Update	Next Steps	Contact
Domestic and Family Violence Includes Lil Bug Love Initiative	<p>Awaiting on project document from Angela TuiSamoa. Meeting with Glenn Hodgson to incorporate his work into workshop with schools.</p> <p>Cindy from Lil Bug Love has been nominated for an ? award. Also Communities for Children, Tasmania are supporting the Lil Bug Love initiative.</p>	DFV working group to meet re project document; finalise content of presentation to schools; formalise logistics of workshop.	<p>Sunanda Prakash</p> <p>Angela TuiSamoa</p>
Family and Child Connect and Local Level Alliance (LLA) Updates	<p>Browns Plains LLA Facilitator David Dickson has left the position.</p> <p>The next Logan-Beenleigh LLA meeting will be held on Thursday 27th September with various speakers presenting. The theme is “Early Childhood.”</p>		Finn Murphy, Louisa Whettam, TBA
Father Engagement	The Men’s Health Network has been running for nearly 12 months and has been focussed on relationship building and working with others in the sector. Activities have included the Black Dog Walk which 100 people attended, Toolbox Talks, the Dad Joke Comedy Night, and practitioner support. A new men’s group is starting up at the Loganlea Community Centre on Saturdays. The aim of the Logan Men’s Health Network group is to raise awareness of men’s mental health.	On 2 December a workshop will be held to develop the Logan Men’s Network Operational Plan (LMNOP) considering the issues and gaps in service.	Jasmine Melling
Communities for Children Updates	<p>CfC Committee meeting held 3 October – committee membership continues to growing.</p> <p>A new project is Big Brother, Big Sister Banaam Mentoring Program proposed by Groves College Students.</p> <p>Play Cave event planning is continuing.</p>	Next meeting 7 November	Debbie Miscamble
Early Neighbourhood Networks	The agenda shaping up for 2019 is the trans-disciplinary supports.		Susan Cary
Workforce Development	Discussed at 20 September meeting for future Chapter agenda		
Aboriginal, Torres Strait and CALD community responsiveness - a picture of success	Identified at 17 May 2018 meeting for future Chapter agenda		
Kindergarten strategies beyond Kindy Conversations	Identified at 17 May 2018 meeting for future Chapter agenda		

Projects:

Issue	Contact	Progress		
		On track	Needs support	Stuck
Children Together	Carrie Rose			
Community Connection and Engagement Strategy	Sandra Fields			
Kindy Conversations	Penny Goodall			
Support for Young Parents	Penny Goodall			
Youth Homelessness	Finn Murphy			
Sure Steps Project	Christine Grose			

Child and Family Chapter Meeting Attendance and Apologies – 18 October 2018

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