

## Child and Family Chapter Meeting Notes - Internal

**Date:** Thursday 20 September 2018  
**Venue:** Griffith University, Meadowbrook Room  
**Chair:** Matthew Cox, Logan Together

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

**Attendance:** Please see list below

Item	Discussion/Decision	Action Required
<b>1. Acknowledgment of Country, Welcome, Introductions, Apologies</b>	<p>Kerry Smith provided an acknowledgement to country.</p> <p>Matthew congratulated Kerry as her service Daisy Hill and Southside Family Day Care won the award for the National Family Day Care Service of Year in the recent 2018 Excellence Awards. Kerry advised that Tracey Brock from Wesley Mission won the award for Educator of the Year.</p> <p>Matthew Cox welcomed everyone and facilitated introductions. Attendance and apologies are recorded below.</p>	
<b>2. Minutes from the previous Connect</b>	<p>The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted.</p> <p><b>Previous Actions</b> - All previous actions which are due for review are included in the items below, are on the reverse page or have been completed.</p>	
<b>3. Getting to Action</b>	<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> <p>At the last meeting an action was that Chapter members were to discuss within their organisations. There was no specific feedback provided at this meeting.</p>	
<b>STRATEGIC</b>		
<b>4. Domestic and Family Violence</b>	<p>Sunanda Prakash advised that the working group had met and agreed to doing some work in the schools that have the Trauma Panels. This was likely to be an ongoing series of workshops with the schools which include Kingston, Berrinba and Mabel Park. The benefits for schools is that they get to know their local services, develop referral pathways and the program can build on the momentum which already exists in these schools. The time frame is next term, mid to end November. Following this the project group may consider inclusion of</p>	<p>Angela TuiSmoa is to send Sunanda the Logan Together project document to facilitate this.</p>

	<p>the Neighbourhood Networks.</p> <p>Marilyn Casely mentioned that she had recently been reading something about community impact in the USA which suggested the value of bringing people who aren't normally invited into the discussions i.e. anyone involved in noticing such as Drs with the aim that everyone understood the response. Angela TuiSamoa advised that the PHN and Child Health were doing some work with medical practitioners around this.</p> <p>Matthew Cox indicated that this was a good approach to start in the schools and that it is important to get some notes together to go out to communicate clearly to the stakeholder group. Angela is to send Sunanda the Logan Together project document to facilitate this.</p> <p><b>Actions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Angela TuiSmoa is to send Sunanda the Logan Together project document to facilitate this.</b></li> <li>• <b>Sunanda Prakash and the project group are to complete the project document and develop the communication.</b></li> </ul>	<p>Sunanda Prakash and the project group are to complete the project document and develop the communication.</p>
<p><b>5. Domestic and Family Violence - Respectful Relationships Program</b></p>	<p>Letitia York from Our Watch provided a presentation about Our Watch's Respectful Relationships program in Kingston State School. She advised that there were two organisations working in the DFV space - ANROWS with the R for Respect program which YFS is delivering and Our Watch which has the role of skilling up practitioners.</p> <p>In 2015 the Not Now, Not Ever Report was delivered with 140 recommendations. Recommendation 24 involved the delivery of respectful relationships education in 10 schools addressing gender inequality. The Logan schools are: Springwood, Kingston, Eagleby, Flagstone. The program takes a whole school approach to building respectful relationships. The elements are: 1 school culture and environment, 2 school leadership and commitment, 3 professional learning strategy, 4 teaching and learning, 5 community partnerships, 6 support for staff and students</p> <p>Contact Letitia if you want more information <a href="mailto:Letitia.York@ourwatch.org.au">Letitia.York@ourwatch.org.au</a> There is also lots of good information on the website <a href="https://www.ourwatch.org.au/">https://www.ourwatch.org.au/</a></p> <p>Michael queried whether the project is looking at presenting the male gender positively when the focus is gender inequality. Letitia advised that as part of the program conversations with boys included being strong, brave, ok to express emotions.</p> <p>Matthew Cox indicated that the challenge was how to link information about the Respectful Relationships program to other work we are doing.</p> <p>Sasha Childs mentioned the work relative to CALD communities and bystander training.</p>	<p>Sunanda Prakash and the project group are to consider how all the bits of the DFV picture slot together.</p>

	<p>Louisa Whettam suggested that we also consider males and same sex relationships and indicated that there was under reporting for these cohorts. She added that if no service has a voice in regard to these relationships then we won't get the data.</p> <p><b>Action: Sunanda Prakash and the project group are to consider how all the bits of the DFV picture slot together.</b></p>	
<p>6. <b>Domestic and Family Violence – Circuit Breaker</b></p>	<p>Pastor Matt Boulton started his presentation with the question - Why would we want to get involved in DFV work? He suggested that the reason is that we all have a story and we carry a lot of passion. Additionally, he spoke about being in a sector with a lot of strong emotions; we may have to counter transference – a parallel process where we experience some of the strong emotions of the clients; it is a sector dominated by power and control with a lot of rules and we have to watch we aren't walking on egg shells. Matt spoke about the elephant in the room – should a man be active in this space? It is often called a women's issue, but it is also a men's' issue and responsibility.</p> <p>Matt challenged Chapter members with some statements for us to ponder:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Our prevention has not been much good at preventing – a lot of it is damage control and this can mean we move the problem around.</li> <li>• We cannot stop domestic violence unless we are engaging the ones doing the violence in a process of change.</li> <li>• There are not enough experts to deal with this epidemic. There are 3 areas of prevention - primary prevention, early intervention and crisis intervention and there is scope for working with people already on the trajectory to DV. We need to raise up an army to work in the 2<sup>nd</sup> space – talking about DV early prevention programs.</li> </ul> <p>Matt advised of the Circuit Breaker 10-week program working in the DV early prevention space which has been accredited across Queensland and is being delivered in prisons – see attached Flyer. Why does it work?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Approach is free of shame and punishment</li> <li>○ Identifies common ground</li> <li>○ Targets self-interest of the participant</li> <li>○ Addresses the participant's issues first as a tool for rewiring</li> <li>○ Supporting group based model</li> <li>○ Attacks the roots of power and control</li> <li>○ Provides behavioural tools</li> </ul> <p>Matt suggested that DFV workers operate across a range of spectrums and can work together rather than it being a hierarchy and that there are gaping opportunities for collaborative work.</p>	

	Matthew Cox thanked Matt for taking a whole of community look, highlighting there is a lot of work to do and considering how can we approach it together. The presentation provided a warm, challenging, engaging debate.	
<b>ACTION</b>		
<b>7. Father Engagement</b>	Glenn Hodgson was not able to stay for this item as the meeting was running behind schedule. He will attend the next meeting to provide the update. Michael Jacobs advised that the men's network was meeting monthly and was in the forming and storming stage - collecting people and building a network. On 2 November an operational plan is to be developed. The Great Mates Meet group gets together at KENG meeting on Friday morning. More news will be coming out about men's engagement.	
<b>8. Men's Mental Health TradeMutt - Proposal of a project for funding</b>	Glenn Hodgson briefly advised of the TradeMutt group that is raising awareness via visits to job sites while wearing colourful clothing and speaking about mental health. Glenn will provide more information at the next meeting	
<b>9. Children Together – Draft Charter of Children's Wellbeing</b>	<p>Carrie Rose presented the draft Charter of Children's Wellbeing. The idea is to propose this to businesses and organisations to get their buy-in to make Logan more child friendly. Feedback about the Charter will be sought at the Listen2 Connect launch on 17 October where a couple of engagement activities will be run to elicit feedback from children and adults. Other work being progressed by Kirstine Hand and Carrie as members of the Children Together working group is the development of a Tool Kit for engaging with young children.</p> <p>Carrie acknowledged the work that many people had put into getting the Children Together project to its current stage. There is now a small working group who is meeting regularly and at a point where they will soon be able to call on the wider group of Critical Friends to provide feedback about deliverables from the project work.</p> <p>Chapter members endorsed the draft Charter.</p> <p><b>Action: Ellen Ferris will circulate the draft Charter with a request for feedback within 7 days.</b></p>	Ellen Ferris will circulate the draft Charter with a request for feedback within 7 days
<b>10. Community of Practice – Workforce Development – Update</b>	Mathew Cox advised that Community of Practice – Workforce Development was a really well conceptualised project aimed at developing a workforce community of practice. Over the last year work was done to develop a network and the practice items we wanted to promote in a multi-disciplinary way however participation dropped off. The CfC Funding Committee recently met and decided not to support going to go into Stage 2 of the project. Matthew indicated that the issue is still important to the Chapter and we will put this on the agenda in future to see what else can we do to build a multi-disciplinary item and consider an alternative delivery model. Marilyn Casely advised that she and Jenny Cartmel are happy to lead this.	

INFORMATION SHARING		
<b>11. Logan Together Wider Update</b>	<p>Matthew Cox advised that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Change Fest, a National conference event is to be held 19-23 November and tickets were selling fast. The main days are Tuesday to Thursday and there are a range of registration types and rates.</li> <li>• Maternity Hubs – Metro South Health is growing these hubs with a 4<sup>th</sup> expected to come on stream at Hosanna. Soon it will be time to look at the trans-disciplinary supports</li> <li>• Early Years Neighbourhood Network – this is another good platform for a strong professional network and we are now thinking about other things to link into that. The agenda shaping up for 2019 is the trans-disciplinary supports. Matthew thanked Susan Cary and the Department of Education partners for their work in this space.</li> <li>• Community Gateways – looking a various hub models and describing what a good model is so we can attract investment in them – see attached paper.</li> </ul> <p>Angela TuiSamoa advised that on Friday 26 October there will be a fundraising Gala Dinner to support the Hosanna Hub and invitations will be going out soon.</p>	
GENERAL BUSINESS		
<b>12. Any questions about Issues or Projects</b>	There were no questions.	
<b>13. Other Business</b>	<p>Carrie Rose advised that the children of Rosie’s Early Learning will present their research and work on combating loneliness in Logan community at the Annual Exhibition of Work on Saturday 6 October - 10am - 2pm at Daisy Hill State School Hall, 20-50 Daisy Hill Rd, Daisy Hill.</p> <p>Ellen Ferris advised that David Dickson has left Mercy Services and the Browns Plains LLA Facilitator role. Mercy Services have advised that they hope to have the role filled in the next couple of weeks.</p> <p>Ellen Ferris advised that the Financial Literacy Action Group is hosting a Financial Wellbeing Information Exchange on 23 October with the focus being how service providers can work with FLAG to address financial wellbeing issues – see attached Flyer.</p> <p>Logan Asylum Support Group will hold a fundraising rally at St Marks Anglican Church, 41 Winnetts Rd, Daisy Hill, on September 20 at 6.30pm.</p>	
<b>14. Next meeting – date, time, venue</b>	<b>The next meeting is 9 am – 18 October – same venue - Building LO7, Room 3.06, Griffith Uni</b>	

## Child and Family Chapter Meeting - Issues and Updates, Projects – 20 September 2018

### Issues and Updates:

Issue	Status Update	Next Steps	Contact
<b>Domestic and Family Violence Includes Lil Bug Love Initiative</b>	Working group formed. Item on the agenda for today's meeting.  Logan Together Backbone Team is continuing to work alongside Cindy who is also supported by YFS. Cindy is now looking at extending the project state and nationwide.		Rebecca Maurer/Sunanda Prakash  Angela TuiSamoa
<b>Family and Child Connect and Local Level Alliance (LLA) Updates</b>	Browns Plains LLA Facilitator David Dickson has left the position. The next Logan-Beenleigh LLA meeting will be held on Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> September with various speakers presenting. The theme is "Early Childhood."		Finn Murphy, Louisa Whettam, TBA
<b>Father Engagement</b>	The men's network is meeting monthly and is in the forming and storming stage - collecting people and building a network. On 2 November an operational plan is to be developed. The Great Mates Meet group gets together at KENG meeting on Friday morning. More news will be coming out about men's engagement.		Jasmine Melling
<b>Communities for Children Updates</b>	CfC Committee meeting held 5 September – committee membership is growing. Grandparent carer morning tea planned for 19 September. Play Cave event planning is underway.	Next meeting 3 October.	Debbie Miscamble
<b>Early Neighbourhood Networks</b>	The agenda shaping up for 2019 is the trans-disciplinary supports.		Susan Cary
<b>Workforce Development</b>	Discussed at 20 September meeting for future Chapter agenda		
<b>Aboriginal, Torres Strait and CALD community responsiveness - a picture of success</b>	Identified at 17 May 2018 meeting for future Chapter agenda		
<b>Kindergarten strategies beyond Kindy Conversations</b>	Identified at 17 May 2018 meeting for future Chapter agenda		

**Highlighted comments – no update since the previous or earlier meetings**

**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	Back on track with a meeting held 11 September which was well attended with various local services sharing information and ideas. Also attending the meeting was the Brisbane Youth Coalition – Department of Housing - Logan City Council.		
Sure Steps Project	Christine Grose			

## Child and Family Chapter Meeting Attendance and Apologies – 20 September 2018

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