

## CYP VCS Representative's Feedback Report

Introduction:

Linda Thomas the Rep to this Board sent her apologies.

### Standards of the VCS Engagement Partnership

- Representatives will be ratified by the Partnership to represent collective views.
- Child and young person centred focus on services.
- Equal Voices around the Table
- Engagement of the Voluntary and Community Sector in any public sector strategy from the outset
- Commitment to Cohesion, Equality and Diversity

Meeting Assessment - Please answer $\checkmark$ or X	Y or N
1. Were papers received 5 working days prior to the meeting?	y
2. Was an executive summary provided for documents over 15 pages?	y
3. Were all the papers in plain English, free from acronyms and jargon?	n
4. Was the time and venue of the meeting convenient?	y
5. Did the meeting start and finish on time, and last for under 2 hours?	
6. Did you feel that the meeting was inclusive and respectful?	y
7. Did you feel that you had the opportunity to have your say?	y
8. Did you feel that you were able to have influence on decisions?	y
9. Where papers were tabled did you have time to read them before decisions were made?	y
<b>Total score – out of 8 points</b>	
<b>Please tell us why you put N or any other comments:</b> <i>Some papers are from Gov and are in their 'speak'.</i>	

<b>Name of Group:</b> Stoke on Trent – Local Safeguarding Children Board.	<b>Name of Representative:</b>  Deputy Rep – Sue Thomas
<b>Date of Strategic Meeting:</b> 18 <sup>th</sup> March 2010	<b>Ratified by Engagement Partnership?</b> Y
<b>Overview of Meeting: (agenda)</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Agenda and previous minutes are available on the Stoke on Trent LSCB Web site.</b></li> </ul>	
<b>Items for feedback / discussion relevant to the VCS:</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Following a presentation on inter-agency working it was stressed that CAF Training is important to workers in all sectors. Help is available from the CAF team.</b></li> </ul>	
<b>Membership.</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>A formal thanks was offered to Linda Thomas, in her absence, not only for her contribution to the LSCB, but her contribution to vulnerable children and young people in Stoke on Trent.</b></li> <li>• <b>Sue outlined that the election of a new representative for the VCS is underway.</b></li> <li>• <b>A new representative from CAF/CASS will be at the next meeting</b></li> </ul>	
<b>Serious Case Review</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>It was agreed that Stoke on Trent needs to undertake a serious case review. Members were appointed to the Advisory panel.</b></li> </ul>	
<b>NSPCC</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Members were updated on the restructure of the NSPCC. Fiona is moving to the role of Head of Service for the East Midlands and will stay as liaison to the LSCB until a new appointment is made. Sandra Hescott Robinson will be the Head of Service for the West Midlands. These take place from April 1<sup>st</sup> 2010.</b></li> <li>• <b>There will be a Stoke on Trent NSPCC Service Centre. Models of delivery will change and a more robust outcomes focus will be ensured.</b></li> </ul>	

**VCS EP**

- The role of the VCS Safeguarding Group was outlined and received support from the Board. The group will provide a report to the LSCB Executive Group.
- The representative for the sector to the LSCB will be nominated by and / or ratified by the VCS Safeguarding group.

**ACTION REQUIRED PRIOR TO NEXT MEETING**

- Sue will follow up to seek funding to resource the VCS Safeguarding meetings and papers.
- Information to Sue please if you have any good practice to share with regard to keeping children safe on the internet.
- A new VCS Safeguarding representative will be elected prior to the next meeting in June. We have currently received a nomination for George Tzilivakis from YMCA. If there are further nominations please inform Michaela by the end of March.

*Please return this within 7 working days following the meeting. If you have minutes available please attach even if they were from the previous meeting. Please let us know of any input you require for the next meeting.*

To be completed by VAST support worker

**Date Received:**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> March 2010**

**Date circulated to Engagement Partnership Members: 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2010**

**Details of other mechanism of communications – to be agreed with the Representative:**

**Feedback received:**

**Date feedback provided to Representative:**