

Appendix 2

Notes of meeting of CLASP sub group held on 12th December 2006

Present: Lynette Kirk, Liz Reveley, Julie Robinson-Joyce

Matters Arising

Neighbourhood Element – Bhulla invited to CLASP funders group.
Social Policy cases have been sent to partnerships and Neighbourhood element.

NRF underspend

Speculative proposal sent to Economic Partnership on behalf of Financial Inclusion Group for ACSG for a specialist debt course and a consultant to work on improving links between the advice sector & Credit Unions. Also for training providers to run financial literacy training courses.

Other options to put forward – 3 month pilot working with BME communities via antenatal services. Also take up work in extra care housing & hospitals around issue of pensioner poverty.

Financial Inclusion

6 CAB workers in place.

1 post links to RNID, MENCAP, Contact a Family.

Childhood poverty

This is in Children's & Young People's partnership workplan. Need to stay involved. Christine Clavering has sent a presentation. Julie to circulate to CLASP members and send on comments.

Sc12 Childcare Act

Local Authorities are to have new responsibilities for information beyond Childcare. Consultation on this taking place. Julie to send a response. May need to look at links between advice centres and Children's Information Link. Ann Manns is contact for linking this work into LAA outcomes.

Idea of a bid for children with disabilities, in conjunction with a Children's Centre plus.

ACSG

Once co-ordinator in place will be in a position to look at strategic thinking for sector, establish links into CNET, Building communities Executive. Will be producing a newsletter & website.

Domestic Violence

Training programme running from Social Services Training Unit until end of March. Can obtain a pack in order to self complete non-molestation orders etc. An area for future development in terms of joint working.

Homelessness Prevention

Julie to attend ACSG meeting in January to report back on social policy work with Homelessness Unit, and plan for future work with advice sector.

Strategy

Need to link into other sectors:

- Domestic Violence
- Credit Unions
- Children's information Link
- Children's Centres

Need to establish a role in structures:

CNET

Building Communities Executive

CVS

AOB

Christine Cooper from Lottery is doing research into advice centres in Bradford. Lynnette to send details to Julie for Julie to follow up.