

Summary Minutes of the Young People Regional Thematic Group meeting held on 22nd October 2024

Present:		Apologies:	
Alistair Mawhinney	NIHE (Supporting People)	Patricia Muldoon	Youth Justice NI
Edel Walsh	SPPG	Richard Tanswell	NIHE
Sinead Twomey	NIHE (Supporting People)	Aideen McLaughlin	PBNI
Gareth Ferguson	NIHE (Supporting People)		
Ciara Quinn	SPPG		
Kate Martin	CRISPP		
Tony McQuillan	CRISPP		
Eibhlin Collins	NIHE (Housing Services)		
Gillian McAllister	Youth Justice NI		
Claire Carolan	MACS		
Ciara Scollay	MACS		
Julie Patterson	NHSCT		
Liz McClarnon (Minutes)	NIHE (Supporting People)		

Summary Minute

SAB Updates

An update on the SP finance position following the last SAB meeting was provided.

SP and HSC Budget Position

SP had a £4.8 million uplift which had been distributed to providers by September 2024.

A H&SC financial update was provided.

Strategic Plan and Covid recovery plan.

Actions that do not require additional funding are being progressed.

One of the actions within the strategic plan is to reduce the amount of funding agreements.

SP are working on related changes, to allow flexibility across schemes where possible.

Review of Jointly Commissioned Accommodation

Update Assessment beds including SUAM Young People / Implementation Plan

An update on work completed to date in terms of the assessment bed workshop was provided.

An exercise has been carried out around staff training.

A workshop focusing on the governance is upcoming.

Summary Minute

SPPG & SP will be analysing contract models and will also be considering contract management.

Local Planning Groups

Local Planning Groups have carried out work around the scoping of provision.

A training needs pro forma has been shared with provider forum representatives who sit on the Steering Groups.

SP Contract Management Update

An update on Contract Management activity was given.

Youth Homelessness Action Plan Update.

The action plan will be launched on 25th November.

There has been progress on several actions on the crossover with the joint commission work, such as dedicated housing advisors, the YP leaving care piece and the New Foundation.

Presentation from MACS on Shared Tenancy and Prison Resettlement.

PowerPoint Presentations on Prison Resettlement and Shared Tenancy were given.