**NETWORK MEETING HELD AT PAIGNTON LIBRARY ON 9th JANUARY 2018**

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| Network Meeting Minutes are now only available electronically by Torbay Website below: Please ensure that the Minutes are accurate and that any additional information you have requested to be circulated to the Network is up-to-date and current.1. **Introduction:**

Steve Leech (Supporting Families Co-ordinator) gave a warm welcome to everyone to the meeting and ‘Checked In’ with all present. One more it was clear from the audience that a broad range of professionals’ were in attendance from across Torbay. **Minutes - Supporting Families On -Line**Supporting Families Network information is now available on-line via the Torbay Council Website <http://www.torbay.gov.uk/children-and-families/services-and-support/supporting-troubled-families/>Here you will find the Network Agenda’s, Minutes and detailed information and links from Service Providers including DWP for all our meetings. This web site is under development and therefore please email the team if you have any difficulties accessing the information on-line. Additional resource that can be accessed to support your families also available from the Family Service Information for Torbay (FIS) is also available: [fis.torbay.gov.uk](http://www.fis.torbay.gov.uk). 1. **Peer Support**

There is now closer integration with the FIT (Family Intervention Team) and Supporting (Troubled) Families. The Consultation Line and TESS are established as the main conduit for support. As a result of this change the role of TAFA has now been deleted. FIT TeamThere is a potential opportunity to access further support for your families in addition to the Consultation Line. The Network were asked 4 simple questions:-* Do you need Peer Support?
* How would this look?
* How Often
* How long sessions should take?

Your answers and feedback below will be used to consider and develop an way forward:- Peer Support Group – Bring Families1. Hold 1 per month
2. Support group to be in a morning – as can’t get out of school
3. Community Voluntary Sectors/ Not leading
4. Lack of Trust/Training Time
5. Use the Community Sector more
6. Group
7. Online Forum

Peer Supervision* 1:1 support Not over phone – Level 2
* Monthly – either in school / or Tor Hill House
* Consultation Line
* Surgery – Once per month

**Consultation Line Number is 208525 Lines open Monday to Friday 9.00 a.m– 12.00 p.m.**Feedback from Consultation Line**:**Kerrie Ford – Early Help Manager is monitoring for feedback. She will bring this information of this at the next Network Meeting of what has worked, how it was etc., Supposing (Troubled) Families - see attachmentsThe Screening Tool is now sent out via Targeted support to every coordinator as part of the **Targeted Help Coordinators pack**. To ensure that everyone was aware that this is now happening and why - Steve discussed the main principals behind the STF program and the expectation of the government in general terms. In order to illustrate the S(T)F process further he looked briefly at what are known as the ‘Manchester Principals’. He then displayed the ‘plan on a page’ indicators describing each of the 6 key areas as “*buckets*” of which a minimum of 2 are required. The notion of “Buckets” appeared to be readily understood by the audience and as such this will the term in common use going forward. He also displayed an Outcomes Chart. If professionals have cases and aware of a family’s needs at Level 2, please contact Leslie Gibbings or James Bennett from Supporting Families Team. STF have to meet targets to be able to claim money for families. We need data and then evidence that the family have been turned around and identify this by data. The Government wants to see sustainability.  | LinksNext MtgNext Mtg. |
| 1. **Guest Speaker – Mandy Woodard – Read Easy**

Mandy talked about Read Easy Torbay. Their service provides Adult literacy, teaching adults to read, adults with Learning Difficulties and dyslexic. Read Easy Torbay is part of a larger organisation linked to Read Easy UK. There is an estimated 4,000 families within Torbay with reading & writing difficulties.* Sessions are free (sessions last anything from 18 months to 2 years)
* Sessions are Confidential and offer 1:1 tuition. The person has to want to do the sessions voluntary.

All tutors are trained reading coaches. The maximum number per coach is 20.Sessions are normally for 30 minutes, twice a week and held at approved local venues, presently Torquay and Paignton. Read Easy are now branching out into Brixham and are looking for a venue for evenings offering privacy but must be open public buildings.Read Easy use the Life Impact Wheel, for Assessments on reading level, done by scoring.To refer leaflets are provided or make a phone call. There may be some Health & Safety reasons in which a referral form will need to be completed.**There are currently some places available for readers with coaches: Please contact Mandy Woodard.**mailto:manderswood@gmail.com |  |
| 1. **Guest Speaker Lorraine George – Early Years**
* Early Years is for 0-5 years in schools or settings.
* **Free** childcare for 15 hours / 30 hours per week.
* **Free** childcare if you and partner are working and earning at least **£120** per week or you and any partner expect to earn less than **£100,000** per year.
* If you are unable to work because you are disabled or have caring responsibilities.
* You or your partner are on maternity, paternity or adoption leave.
* Only the parent/carer can apply and complete an application form.

To check if you are eligible Information available on the Government Website [www.torbay.gov.uk/childcare](http://www.torbay.gov.uk/childcare) Or contact earlyyears@torbay.gov.uk |  |
| 1. **Guest Speaker Tendai & Tom – Real Ideas Organisation**

Real Ideas Organisation (RIO) is a Social Enterprise based in Plymouth. Tendai is presently doing work in Torbay and Tom is offering consultation to groups across the Bay. RIO help in businesses, Organisations, private, charity and voluntary. They develop organisations to support young people age from age 15 to 25 years’. RIO’s Stakeholder/delivery partners are Play Torbay and South Devon College.RIO are involved with Play Torbay and the Youth Trust helping them to develop a business model and joint offer. They have a young persons’ Agency/Network 18 years and under. Especially for young people creating their own opportunities linked up with Play Torbay. If you have a y.p. interested in getting involved age 10 to 21 years (group is mixed) please contact: Tendai Chetse is the Consultant (Power to change). Email address: tendai.chestse@realideas.org |  |
| **Questions & Answers - From the Board:-** 1. What is the current P.B.R. Answer - 662 towards a **2020** target of **1180 by March 2020.**
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| Date of Next Meeting :-**17th May 2018 - 09:30- 12:00hrs Paignton Library - Peer support 12:00 -13:00hrs** |  |