

# Children and Young People's Network



Representing the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS)  
Working with Children and Young People in B&NES

## August 2017 e-bulletin

Welcome to the July e-bulletin of the Children and Young People's Network. If you have any relevant information (details of meetings, events, training, consultations, conferences, developments etc.) that you would like included in future bulletins, please contact me. If you have any feedback regarding this bulletin, or would like to let me know what you think should be included, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

I hope you find the e-bulletin useful.

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## Children and Young People's Network News

**Next Network Meeting: Wednesday 27 September, 10:00 – 12:00.** This will be a meeting to further develop our collective response to the CYP plan. An overview of the CYPP consultation and a workshop to develop our ideas and collective consultation feedback will be led by Strategic Commissioning Officer, Sarah McCluskey. **Venue:** Odd Down Community Centre, Odin's Rd, Odd Down, BA2 2TL.

**B&NES Data Survey of VCS** – If you are not a commissioned service, chances are that the Local Authority is not aware of the impact you are having on the lives of children & young people in B&NES. This survey attempts to address this by asking for some very general data on the numbers who use your services and where you operate. It is very short (only 7 short questions) so please take time to fill it in. It will also help build a picture of the wide network of support offered by local community organisations to our young people. Find the survey on: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/F5TWYC22>



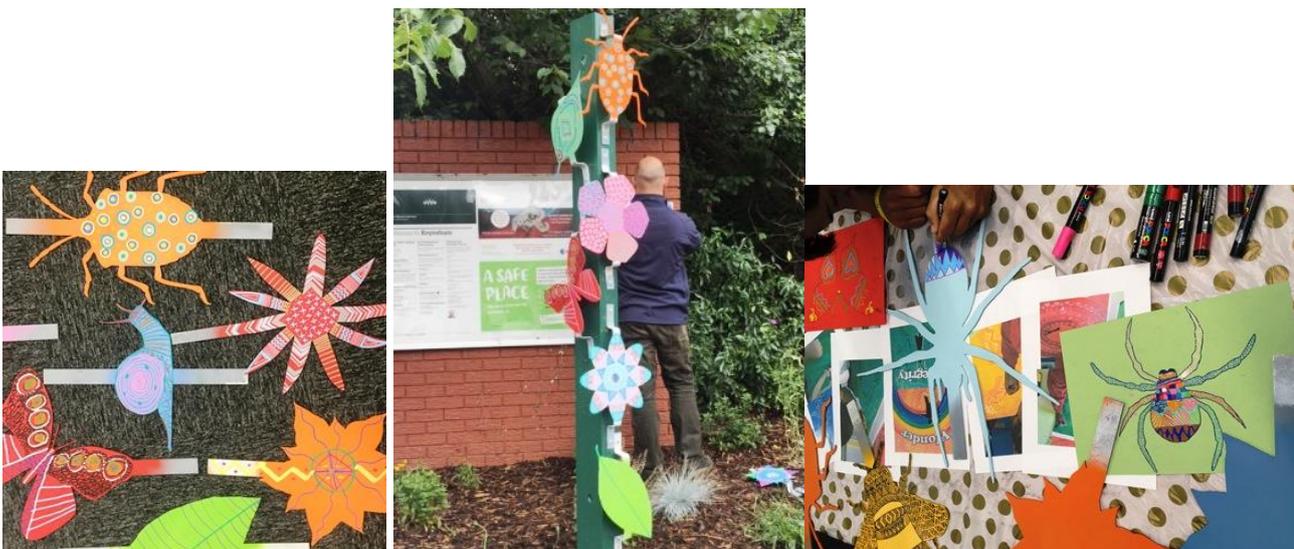
### Star Project of the Month – Green Fingered Young People from Keynsham

Young people from Keynsham Town Council's Time Out Youth Centre have helped Keynsham in Bloom breathe new life into a grey unloved patch of land and old advertising board at Keynsham Railway station this summer.

A new artwork installation with 8 pieces of art work was created by 12 young people aged 12-17 years old with support from Severnside Community Rail Partnership and funding by ACORP and New Life for Local Lines.

The majority of the young people had never taken part in an art project before and many of the young people are now keen to do more and are encouraging others do the same with their Facebook page. The art work has become a talking point among local people and as a result has had a big impact on community spirit and pride.

Denise James, Chair of Keynsham in Bloom group commented: "When Rebecca Prior the artist delivered the art works to the station, I have to say I was blown away. They are absolutely stunning, with so much detail. The youngsters from Time Out Youth Club should be very proud of what they have achieved."



To submit your entry for next month's 'Star project of the Month' please request the template form from [Network@bathareaplayproject.co.uk](mailto:Network@bathareaplayproject.co.uk). The idea is each month the bulletin will share with the network a best practice project or activity that has had exceptional or perhaps unexpected positive outcomes for young people, either on an individual or a group.

## National News and Information

**Children and Social Work Act 2017** Robert Goodwill MP is the new minister with responsibility for vulnerable children and families as well as early years and childcare and he has already announced changes to the proposed new assessment and accreditation system for children's social workers that is part of the Act. This makes it hard to be certain of the exact timescales and details of the changes arising from the Act. As he settles into his new role within the Department this should become clearer. He has said that he will continue with the government's reform programme for children's social care in England set out in [Putting children first: our vision for children's social care](#) which led to the Act.

**The Centre of Expertise on Child Sexual Abuse – Short key messages from research on Child Sexual Exploitation** bring together current research on CSE with the aim to increase professionals' confidence in taking appropriate action. The 'key messages' include four tailored for specific professional groups: schools, staff working in health settings, Police, and Social workers, and one for the multi-agency team. Three are paired – with one for frontline practitioners and one for commissioners <https://www.csacentre.org.uk/research-publications/key-messages/>

**Voice Box** - Childline's new weekly video chat gives advice on how to spot the signs of grooming and how young people can get support if they are worried that they or a friend are being groomed. Click to view [YouTube](#)

## Local and Regional News and Information

**B&NES New Joint Safeguarding website** has launched: <https://www.safeguarding-bathnes.org.uk/>

**The updated South West Child Protection Procedures are now online:**  
<http://www.proceduresonline.com/swcpp/>

**A new B&NES group for adults who have been bereaved by suicide is starting up in September.** This group will be run by trained volunteers who have themselves had experience of bereavement by suicide and will provide much needed help and support for those with a relative, friend or colleague who has taken their own life. Regular meetings will run every third Wednesday in the month starting on 20th September @The Open House Centre, Manvers Street Baptist Church. To speak to somebody about this group contact, CRUSE on 01761 417250

**A Youth Pop Up Tent is active over the summer** and offers help guidance and support for 11-19 year olds. Contact David Wiles if you need further info. E.Mail: [Dave.Wiles@bathnes.gov.uk](mailto:Dave.Wiles@bathnes.gov.uk)

## Meetings & Events

**The Free Early Help Conference** is on 16 October 2017 at Somerdale Pavilion, Cross Street, Keynsham, BS31 2FW. This event is aimed to promote the work Children's Services have been doing over the last few months in relation to Early Help. There will be an opportunity for you to ask questions and also explore new ways of working. For a place at this event please request and complete the booking form and send it back to: [EarlyHelp@bathnes.gov.uk](mailto:EarlyHelp@bathnes.gov.uk)

**Supporting Vulnerable Girls CPD Conference, Weds 8th November 2017 – Mentoring Plus** are holding a one day conference to share academic research lived experience and practice techniques to help support the needs of vulnerable girls. Book tickets at: [buytickets.at/mentoringplus1](http://buytickets.at/mentoringplus1)

## Interagency Meetings:

- Tuesday 17th October, 12pm - 2pm Chew Magna Baptist Church, Tunbridge Road, Chew Magna
- Wednesday 15th November, 12pm - 2pm Community at 67, Queens Road, Keynsham

## Forthcoming Strategic Meetings

**These are meetings which our Network Reps will attend.** If you have an issue which you feel should be considered by the Board, please [contact the relevant Representative](#). You can also ask for details of meeting agendas – although these are often not available until the week before the meeting.

- Children's Workforce Development Steering Group 2 August
- 3SG Core Group which is 9.30 -11 am on 7th September

## Business and Funding

**The Southwest Strategic Clinical Network** call for applications for a one-off £80k 2017/18 funding to support the development of voluntary and community sector driven Youth Information, Advice and Counselling Services (YIACS). Some helpful information about the role of the voluntary sector in CAMHS transformation as well as the YIACS model can be found in a document published by Youth Access and the Young People's Health Partnership <http://www.youthaccess.org.uk/downloads/afootinthedoor.pdf>

**Funding Greater Social Impact - Big Potential**, a Big Lottery Fund grant fund, will deliver approximately £20m of grant funding over 3 years to voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations with the aim of improving their sustainability, capacity and scale in order that they may deliver greater social impact. Grants are available from £20k up to £150k. **The deadline for applications is 11th October.** [Find out more here](#)

## Training

**PSHE CPD Accredited Course** - national PSHE Certification programme are now recruiting teachers, nurses and other professionals who deliver PSHE to be involved in this year's programme, which will run from December 2017 to July 2018. Training will take place at the Ammerdown Centre, near Radstock. Please contact [Deborah Carter@bathnes.gov.uk](mailto:Deborah.Carter@bathnes.gov.uk) and fill in application form by **September 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Child protection supervision skills course** - this training course organised by the NSPCC provides training to support front-line staff with child protection concerns and make sure child-centred activities are safe. The course takes place over 5 days in Leicester on 1-3 August 2017 and 12-13 September 2017. [NSPCC](#)

**Free of charge two day Applied Suicide Interventions Skills Training (ASIST) course** has spaces on 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> September 2017 or 5<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018 at Community Space, above Keynsham One Stop Shop.

## B&NES Children's Workforce Training:

**Common Assessment Framework**, Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 9.00-13.00, Keynsham

- **CSE Advanced Training**, Wednesday 20th September, 09.30 – 16.30, Keynsham
- **Eating Disorders**, Thurs 28th Sept, 09.30 – 13.00, Keynsham

**All course booking for the Children's Workforce Training** should be made through the online booking System <http://bathnes.learningpool.com/>

Further information is available from Children's Workforce Training: 01225 394210 or [childrensworkforce\\_training@bathnes.gov.uk](mailto:childrensworkforce_training@bathnes.gov.uk)