

North Kensington Multi Agency Forum

Monday, 22nd January 2018

Learning Space, Museum of Brands, 111-117 Lancaster Road, W11 1QT

Minutes

Present


Name	Role/ organisation	Initials
Victoria Stark	Patient representative, lay member of Governing Body, chair	VS
Sheila Durr	Director of Communities and People, Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea	SD
Mary Fortheringham	Kensington and Chelsea Mind (Healing Minds (Consortia))	MF
Michael Ashe	Volunteer Centre Kensington and Chelsea	MA
Nafsika Thalassis	BME Health Forum	NT
Mona Hayat	Director for North Kensington Recovery Programme, WLCCG	MH
Ryan Price	Epic CIC	RP
Sarah Cahn	Insight Young Peoples Drugs & Alcohol service	SC
Malcolm Phillips	Hestia	MP
Angela Spence	Kensington and Chelsea Social Council	AS
Filsan Ali	Midaye	FA

In attendance


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Jason Strelitz	Public Health, Westminster City Council	JS
Radhika Howard	West London CCG	RH
Alison Kirk	North Kensington Engagement Lead, WLCCG	AK
James Banks	London Funders	JB
Erik Messel	John Lyons	EM
Oisin Brannick	GP	OB


Apologies

Robyn Doran	Central and North West London NHS Trust	RD
Carrie Hirst	Community Champions	CH
Anthony Graham	Working with Men	AG

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<p>1 Introduction</p>	
<p>1.1 Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>The Chair welcomed members and attendees to the meeting.</p> <p>Apologies were noted as above.</p>	
<p>2 Minutes of the meeting held on 19th December 2017</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 19th December 2017 were accepted and agreed.</p> <p>AK reported that she was still awaiting completed expression of interest forms from a few members.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Action AK to contact individuals to request completed forms be returned</p>	
<p>3 Terms of Reference</p> <p>The revised Terms of Reference were accepted and agreed by the members.</p>	
<p>4 London Funders and John Lyons – discussion to explore programme alignment how do we draw on existing knowledge and expertise</p> <p>MA introduced this agenda item. The purpose of inviting both London Funders and John Lyons to the meeting is to find out more about their work and to discuss how we as a Forum can align our work with them and support the next phase of funding.</p> <p>JD provided members with a briefing note on the work done so far (attached with these minutes). Key highlights from the brief are: London Funders have issued approximately £4.5 million funding through phase one of the funding process. Phase two of funding closed in October 2017 and has resulted in £2.4 million in funding being allocated. A listening phase/review is currently being undertaken with those organisations who have received funding in phases 1 and 2. This review will look back at the application and allocation process to identify what has worked well and what could be improved. In addition to this, there will be discussions on how joint monitoring and evaluation can be achieved over the coming year, trying to understand the pressures that this may cause on those organisations in terms of the additional work alongside business as usual. Phase 3 will look at how the funding process fits with Royal Borough and Kensington and Chelsea’s programme of funding to ensure alignment and to provide any support.</p> <div style="text-align: right;">  30102017 NHS Grenfell Tower fire re </div> <p>EM gave an introduction to the work of John Lyons who is a charity set up to benefit children and young people up to the age of 25 who live in nine boroughs in northwest</p>	

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<p>London: Barnet, Brent, Camden, Ealing, Hammersmith & Fulham, Harrow, Kensington & Chelsea and the Cities of London and Westminster. Phase 1 of the grants programme mainly focused on a programme of summer activities for children and young people and included activities such as holidays and summer camps. Phase 2 of funding finished at Christmas. EM is hoping that the review will enable them to better understand what can be done better moving forward and to understand how the many different projects fit together.</p> <p>One consideration for the future could be to establish a Young People’s Foundation. Young People’s Foundations (YPFs) have been developed to combat the effects of widespread cuts in funding in the Children and Young People’s sector. Their goal is to ensure that the organisations and groups that serve children and young people are strong, sustainable and fit for purpose. YPFs are borough-based, membership organisations that are open to any group that works with children and young people in the relevant borough. John Lyons currently supports 7 YPFs covering Barnet, Brent, Harrow, Camden, Westminster, Ealing and Hammersmith and Fulham.</p> <p>MH asked if EM could provide an example of how the YPFs work. In Brent the experience of smaller groups was that they were struggling to access grants and services; children and young people were being affected through the selling of community assets and a lot of the networks that had been established through the local authority were no longer in place, resulting in smaller organisations being unable to engage with businesses. Through the membership model of the YPF and structured routes for commissioning and working with businesses the YPF has established a voice and as a result brought funding in.</p> <p>MW asked how we, as a forum, can support this approach. This was followed by a general discussion and the following points/questions raised:</p> <p>Have you got a minimum set of requirements to delivery what you want to do e.g. safeguarding?</p> <p>Applications for phase 1 and 2 required the completion of a 7 question application process. This did enable smaller groups to apply for funding.</p> <p>FA felt that communities do not have an understanding of the new services that are becoming available and how they may access them. Grass roots work is not being identified by funders and therefore there is a lack of access to funding.</p> <p>EM replied that there is recognition that this is an issue. Groups who want to access funding do need to be recognised as registered charities. It is also acknowledged that parents have a lack of understanding of what is available and this needs addressing.</p>	

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<p>AS asked how are Youth Foundations ensuring that local children and young people have a say in what is funded, is there any demonstration of where this is taking place? EM said that Westminster YPF has undertaken a needs assessment through training with children and young people as community researchers. This approach is being adopted through the work that is being led by Shane Ryan and RBKC Children and Young People’s Transparency Group.</p> <p>MH reported that a recent meeting with a member of the Youth Parliament the issues raised were reflected in that discussion. 13-19 year olds are having major issues and are struggling to express their feelings after the fire. They want to do this creatively and to actively contribute. The CCG are looking to support this through an event which will be designed by young people, it is currently being progressed through the Youth Forum.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Action: AK to distribute the list of funded projects by John Lyons</p> <div style="text-align: right;">  Copy of Phase 2 - Funded Projects.xlsx </div>	
<p>5. North Kensington Needs Assessment on Health And Wellbeing & Community Recovery</p> <p>JS set out the approach for the Needs Assessment through his presentation which is attached to these minutes.</p> <p>Following the presentation JS invited a discussion on the planned approach.</p> <p>MH said that following on from the recent Scrutiny Committee it is evident that North Kensington is a fracture place at present and there needs to be an understanding of the level of anger in the community. Boundaries of what needs to be put in place need to be established, the question for the needs assessment needs to be less of a wide question that is currently is. We need to try and avoid people feeling that they are ‘done to’.</p> <p>SD suggested that we should not base our opinions on one Scrutiny Committee meeting.</p> <p>FA mentioned the work that was done in relation to the community-led Female Genital Mutilation Project. The project took ownership on board but was still able to obtain a lot of information from the community, done through a 3 question approach. Timing is also essential.</p> <p>MP suggested that there will never be a right time, but there is a need to just get on with it.</p> <p>NT felt that there may be an issue with the question, if people do not know what is on the table, in terms of what is being offered, then they are not able to answer the question realistically in what they want or need. NT also asked how will the needs</p>	

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<p>assessment respond in terms of timescales.</p> <p>MF felt that the needs are so complex that the question being asked is a difficult thing to answer at this current time and in this current climate.</p> <p>AS said that what she liked about the approach was that it was working with those organisations who are already working with local communities. The benefit of this approach is that trust is already established as local organisations are already having conversations with community. However there needs to be a recognition and link to the current community research that is taking place.</p> <p>FA informed the meeting that they are currently working with the BME Forum in undertaking community research with BME communities. VS asked if this work could be presented at the next Forum meeting.</p> <p>SD asked if JS can report back at the next meeting on how the needs assessment is progressing and suggested that there may be a need to stress that this work is in relation to and being led by Public Health as this may provide it with a different dimension.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Action: FA to present the BME Community Research work at the next Forum meeting JS to provide an update at the next Forum meeting AK to send out slides following the meeting</p> <div style="text-align: right;">  Presentation on Needs Assessment at </div>	
<p>6. Community Co-Production Project Proposal</p> <p>AK presented two potential community participation to members, who were asked to provide thoughts and comments on the approaches being considered, these are:</p> <p>A photography participation project with those communities affected by the fire at Grenfell Tower. The project will work with community groups/projects to create an image bank of what living in North Kensington means to them. The images could be captured through art and drawings or through photographs. The purpose of the image is to reflect what living in North Kensington means to that person. There is also a potential to link this into a wider project with an organisation called PhotoVoice who have been running community photography participation projects across the UK and internationally. Scoping of this work is currently underway.</p> <p>The Listening Project, working with BBC and British Library. The Listening Project is an audio archive of conversations recorded by the BBC. People are invited to share an intimate story with a close friend or relative, to be recorded and broadcast (in edited form) by the BBC and curated and archived in full by the British Library.</p> <p>Members were in general agreement to the projects, particularly in relation to working with children and young people although there needs to be recognition that some communities may have cultural barriers to being involved with such projects, and the</p>	

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<p>approach would need to be considered and discussed with each community prior to any involvement. It was also recognised that we need to recognise the work currently underway with a range of projects and groups and to consider how the project may be a platform to showcase the excellent work that is taking place.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Action: AK to report back at next meeting on progress with the projects</p>	
<p>7. Work Programme for the Forum</p> <p>AK had placed this item on the agenda for discussion with members to identify any specific areas of work that the Forum would like to focus on as part of their work plan.</p> <p>It was suggested by VS and supported by a number of the members that there are already a number of areas of work which require coming back to the Forum for further discussion and input and that these items would form the immediate work for the Forum. These are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children and Young People – Event and community research • North Kensington Needs Assessment on Health And Wellbeing & Community Recovery • Community Participation and Co-Production Projects • Action list to measure projects against (linked to the grants programme phase 3) <p>MF also asked if she could bring an update on the Suicide Prevention work to the next meeting</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Action: MF to provide an update on the Suicide Prevention work at the next meeting</p>	
<p>8. Any other business</p> <p>RH introduced the work she is looking to undertake with the Forum in relation to resilience. RH said she would like to work with the Forum members to define resilience, identify the various components and characteristics that comprise community resilience.</p> <p>MA said that components and characteristics could be systematic: indicators of control e.g. the ‘so what’ after the gathering of data and the commitment to change based on what the conversation elicits.</p> <p>SD said that the voluntary and community sector were meeting unmet needs. A characteristic or component of resilience will be how organisations are able to facilitate and negotiate on behalf of the community on those unmet needs and as a result services are commissioned and delivered in a different way.</p> <p>A discussion took place on the timing of meetings, with a request from some members to hold the meeting earlier in the afternoon. It was agreed that future meetings will run from 3.00pm to 5.00pm.</p>	

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	<p>Action: RH to work up her approach to this work with the Forum and bring it back to the next meeting</p> <p>AK to change the time of future meetings to 3.00pm to 5.00pm</p>
9.	<p>Time and date of next meeting</p> <p>22nd January 2018, 3.00pm – 5.00pm, Museum of Brands</p>