

**Looked after children and young people - Committee Meeting 10**

**Date:** 21<sup>st</sup> October 2020

**Location:** Zoom

**Minutes:** Final

<b>Committee members present:</b>		
Marie Burnham	Chair	Present until 15.00
Stephanie Butler	Lay member	Present from 10.50(due to technical problems joining)
Devonte Cook	Lay member	Present for all
Amy Darwin	Social Worker	Present from 12.30
Maureen Giles	Vice Chair & Education consultant for LACYP	Present for all
Annabel Grace	Lay member	Present for all
Penny Greenwood	Public Health England	Present until 12.00
Julie Hamilton	Director, Keys Childcare	Present for all
Renu Jainer	Consultant Community Paediatrician	Present for all
Nancy Sayer	Consultant Nurse	Present for all
Kat Smoraczewska	Social Worker	Present for all
Jenifer Wakelyn	Child and adolescent psychotherapist	Present from 9.30 – 11.20 and from 13.10 to close.
David Whatton	Lay member	Present for all

<b>In attendance:</b>		
Brett Doble (BD)	Health Economics, Technical Adviser	Present for all
Stephen Duffield (SD)	Technical Analyst	Present for all
Anthony Gildea (AG)	Project Manager	Present for all
Hannah Lomax	Health Economics, Technical Analyst	Present for all
Caroline Mulvihill (CM)	Technical Adviser	Present for all
Sue Spiers	Associate Director, Guideline Updates Team	Present for all
<b>Also attending:</b>		
James Rattigan	Lay member PA	Present for all

Cath Larkins	Director, The Centre for Children and Young People's Participation	Present from 13.15 – 13.45
Deborah Johnson	Principal SEN Manager, The Special Educational Needs Service for RBKC and WCC	Present from 10.30 – 11.00
Patrick Ward	Headteacher, Lewisham Virtual School	Present from 9.30 – 10.15

<b>Apologies:</b>	
Melanie Bracewell	Consultant Community Paediatrician
Nick Staples	Guideline Commissioning Manager

<p><b>Item 1</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome</li> </ul> <p>Marie Burnham (Chair) welcomed everyone to this tenth meeting of the looked after children and young people guideline committee. Apologies were noted as listed above.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Declarations of interest</li> </ul> <p>The Chair requested the committee declare any new/additional DOI's since the last meeting. No new interests were declared.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minutes from the last meeting</li> </ul> <p>There was one amendment to the list of attendees in the previous meeting's minutes, with no further amendments required.</p>
<p><b>Item 2</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expert testimony – Special Educational Needs</li> </ul> <p>The Chair introduced Patrick Ward (PW), Virtual Head Teacher of Lewisham Virtual School.</p> <p>PW provided expert testimony to the committee on the role of the virtual school headteacher in supporting looked after children and young with special educational needs.</p> <p>Following his presentation, the committee and members of the NICE team were given the opportunity to ask PW key questions for clarification.</p> <p>The Chair and the committee thanked PW for his presentation and at this point he left the meeting.</p>

**Item 3**

- Expert-testimony – Special Educational Needs

The Chair introduced Deborah Johnson (DJ), Principal SEN Manager, The Special Educational Needs Service for RBKC and WCC.

DJ provided expert testimony to the committee on her role and that of the special educational needs service in supporting looked after children and young with special educational needs.

Following her presentation, the committee and members of the NICE team were given the opportunity to ask DJ key questions for clarification.

The Chair and the committee thanked DJ for her presentation and at this point she left the meeting.

**Item 4**

- Expert testimony – discussion

The committee discussed both expert testimony presentations in detail and recommendations were drafted in this area with support from the NICE team.

**Item 5**

- Focus group with children findings: promoting physical, mental, and emotional health and wellbeing

The Chair welcomed Cath Larkins (CL) from the University of Central Lancashire to present further findings from their qualitative research with looked after children and young people focus groups.

The committee were given the opportunity to ask CL questions.

The Chair and committee thanked CL for her presentation. At this point CL left the meeting.

**Item 6**

- Focus group with children findings – committee discussion.

The committee discussed the findings from this research in detail. The NICE team noted all discussions and potential recommendations.

**Item 7**

- Review question 3.3: evidence and recommendations

The Vice-Chair introduced Stephen Duffield (SD) who presented evidence from review area 3.3: *Barriers and facilitators for promoting physical, mental and emotional health and wellbeing of looked-after children and young people and care leavers*.

The committee discussed the evidence and made recommendations with support from the NICE team.

The Chair thanked SD for his presentation and the committee for their contribution.

#### **Item 8**

- Any other business, summary and next steps

The Vice-chair thanked the committee for their contributions to the day and summarised the next steps. Two AOB items were raised by the committee regarding a previous recommendation and future expert testimony.

As there were no further items the Vice Chair thanked everyone and brought the meeting to a close.

**Date of next meeting:** 16<sup>th</sup> November 2020

**Location of next meeting:** Zoom