

YPAR Operational Plan:

Planning Template for Working Groups

Revised December 2011

Working Group:	0 to 5 Working Group
Terms of Reference	<p align="center">Terms of Reference for the Children & Young People At Risk 0 – 5 Working Group</p> <p>Ethos <i>The Working Group emphasises the proactive and preventive nature of working with families of children with families 0 – 5 years, in realising the Aims of the Children and Young People at Risk Working Group.</i></p> <p>Main overall aim <i>To maximise and target new and existing services in the North East Inner City area for children and young people at risk</i></p> <p>Objectives</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To assess the extent and nature of the issue of young people at risk primarily aged 0 - 5 in the target area 2. To assess the current extent and nature of the issue in the area 3. To identify the issues which are of concern 4. To identify existing provision 5. To assess where needs are not being met 6. To develop strategies to deal with unmet needs 7. To prepare an action plan with specific targets and time frames. A crucial element of this plan will be to integrate existing services and to avoid duplication 8. To monitor, evaluate and review this action plan and to update when necessary <p>Definition of at risk <i>'A child/young person primarily aged 0-18 years vulnerable to or experiencing a loss of health and wellbeing due to personal, family, educational or social problems (which could benefit from outside support).'</i></p>
Membership	<p>Core membership includes the following Agencies, involved in childcare and early years education services:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CASPr: Ann Carroll, Margaret Vaughan • LYCS Sarah Kelleher, Jackie Maguire • Hill Street Celine Keogh, Connie Blakemore • Rutland St. Pre school Mark Shinnick

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Support Service Ann Rocca • Ozanam House Averill Rafferty • Curam Catherine Sheerin • Public Health Nursing Frances O'Keefe • St Mary's Crèche • Henrietta St Kate Kenny • DALC Catherine O'Reilly <p>* Due to the nature of their work a number of other providers have indicated that they are unable to attend are regularly informed of the work of the Working Group</p>
Representative on Steering Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ann Carroll • Sarah Kelleher
3 gaps to be prioritised this year	<p>Following a number of consultation exercise done with local parents a number of areas will be prioritised:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus on informing local parents of services locally that they can access • To explore other models in order to create a plan/model for child care and early years education services for the North East Inner City • That the plan, for the provision of childcare and early years education, will be inclusive of <i>all</i> parents not just those in training & returning to work etc. (Thus reflecting the change from EOCP to National Childcare Programme funding)
Other key issues to be addressed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The provision of support for parents from conception and birth of their children to early years.
Short-term goals / actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To work with the Researcher to focus on good practice and the development of interagency protocols in relation to 0 to 5s. • To get information on other Plans and Models of Childcare and explore their usefulness and relevance in developing .an overall plan for the North East Inner City (NEIC) • To take initial steps towards developing a childcare and early years education plan for the NEIC (employ person to do this) • Develop an information strategy for local parents.
Medium-term goals/ actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To have a strategy to develop a local childcare and early years plan. • To finalise a number of case histories and interagency protocols with Researcher • To host specific information events focussing on local parents (indigenous and 'new' community members).
Examples of protocols identified	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation of the National Guidelines for the Protection & Welfare of Children. And work of the Child Care Committee and • Family Conferencing Model (e.g. Barnardo's & HSE)
Examples of interagency collaboration	<p>Some examples:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The genesis and history of Hill Street FRC (an example of interagency collaboration?)

<p>identified</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rutland Street and Hill Street FRC – 3 to 5 Club • Hill Street St Michaels House & Disability Equality and Specialist Support Agency (DESSA) joint programme for children with special needs • St Mary's Nursery (Henrietta St.) HSE/SW Child guidance interagency work • LYCS – Community Welfare, MABs, SVP • Joint YPAR/HSE <i>Early Years Open Day</i> April 2004
<p>Resources / budget required</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding for possible Local Childcare and Early Years education Information day for local people (perhaps in partnership with HSE see above)