

Children's Trust Board Workshop – 26th September 2023

Working together to help children, young people, and families to thrive.

Tuesday 26th September 2023, 5.00pm – 7.00pm (Virtual Meeting)

In Attendance:

Anne Coyle	Interim Director of Children's Services	OCC
Cllr Mark Lygo	Cabinet Member for Public Health and Equalities and voluntary sector	OCC
Jean Kelly	Deputy Director for Children's Social Care	OCC
Indra Gill	Senior Inspection Readiness & Improvement Officer	OCC
Darren Moore	Strategy Lead – Start Well	OCC
Peter Featherstone	Improvement Consultant	OCC
Matthew Lister	Consultant Clinical Psychologist	Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust
Emma Leaver	Service Director	Oxford Health
Derek Benson	Independent Chair	OSCB
Steve Thomas	Performance Information Manager for Social Care	OCC
Donna Husband	Public Health, Responsibility for 0-19 Provision	OCC
Delia Mann	Assistant Director Early Help, Schools & Communities	OCC
Jules Francis-Sinclair		Oxfordshire Parent/Carer Forum
Dan Knowles	Health Watch Ambassador, Parent Representative	Oxfordshire Mind, Children & Young People Service
Dani Martin		Oxfordshire Parent/Carer Forum
Ruth Bennie	School Link Advisor	Oxford Diocesan Board of Education
Charlotte Donohoe	Head of MASH, Missing & Exploitation	Thames Valley Police
Sylvia Buckingham		Healthwatch Oxfordshire
Helen Ward	Associate Director of Quality (Oxfordshire) BOB ICB	NHS Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire & Berkshire West ICB

Jenny Law	Performance Info Manager (EEI)	OCC
Cllr Phil Chapman	Councillor	OCC
Daniel Leveson	BOB ICB Place Based Director for Oxfordshire	NHS Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire & Berkshire West ICB
Mish Tullar	Head of Corporate Strategy	Oxford City Council
Katrina Anderson	Service Director	Oxford Health
Jessie Dobson	Partnership Youth Development Manager	OCC
Vicky Norman	Head of Service Oxfordshire CAMHS & Eating Disorders	Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust
Jodie-Lloyd Jones	Chief Executive Officer	CYP Forum Voluntary Sector Representative Oxfordshire Youth
Lynda Poole	Interim Deputy Director of Education	OCC
Jayne Mumford	Interim Head of SEND	OCC
Charlotte Pearson-Miles	Voluntary Sector Rep. from Children and YP Forum	Voluntary Sector

1. Welcome and Intro - Anne Coyle

Anne Coyle explained the format of the meeting that would be more engaging, so would incorporate a workshop and polls. The workshop would focus on the contributions of the Children's Trust, the impact, and outcomes. The first part of the meeting would be an opportunity for all members to reflect on this on a personal and collective partnership level.

Following this the Board will look at the future of the CTB and how it needs to change to better serve the Children and Young People of Oxfordshire.



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There was a suggestion that it could possibly be a public meeting, going forward.

2. SEND Inspection & Oxfordshire Education Commission – Anne Coyle/Lynda Poole

The ASEND inspection outcome report was published on the 15th of September and the link is provided: [Area SEND inspection of Oxfordshire Local Area Partnership](#)

Within the slide show provided above as well as an overview of the CTB workshop, it provides the findings, the priority actions and the approach being taken to jointly develop the action plan. It was noted to all members that the local area partnership must submit a Priority Action Plan (PAP) by the 27th of October.

Ofsted and CQC will carry out a monitoring inspection in 18 months' time.

A suggestion was raised that it would be useful to bring in voluntary organisations to contribute to the PAP. The Board were advised that the voluntary, community, and faith sector would be able to contribute to the PAP.

There were some key messages from the Oxfordshire Education Commission report (below) which was published alongside the agenda for the meeting of Cabinet on 19th September 2023. A proposed response and action plan will be submitted to Cabinet for its approval.



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3. The Children’s Trust Board - Reflection (breakout groups, polls, and feedback)

A brief overview describing the CTB role in the constitution, was provided as a reminder and for those members that are unaware, such as its primary objectives, purpose, and governance.

Members were allocated breakout groups for about 25 minutes to discuss the following key questions:

1. How impactful has your membership of the CTB been to date in influencing what you do back in your organization in relation to health and wellbeing?
2. To what extent do you feel the voice of Children & Young People influence priorities and decisions made at the CTB? e.g., in relation to neglect, mental health and wellbeing
3. To what extent do you feel that voluntary, community and faith organisations are able to influence priorities and decisions made at the CTB? e.g., in relation to neglect, mental health and wellbeing

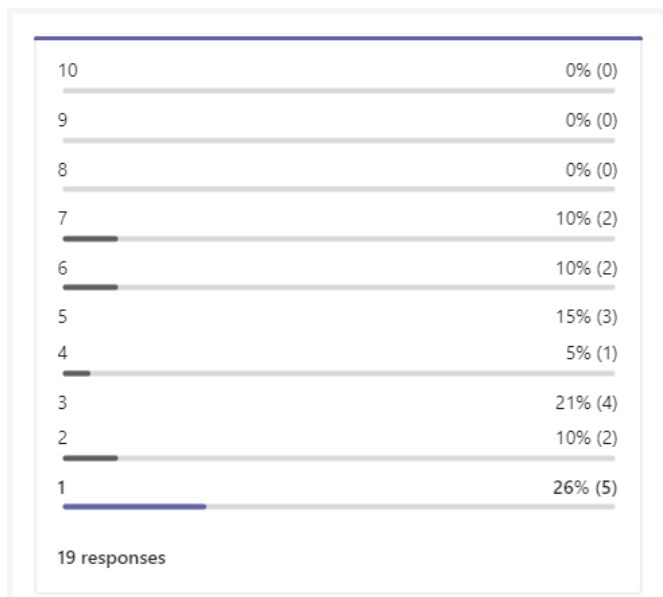
Each group was to discuss what can be done to improve/change the CTB and to think about its potential future options to have increased impact and improve outcomes. A volunteer from each group provided feedback to the wider group on return to the main meeting room.

Brief overview of feedback

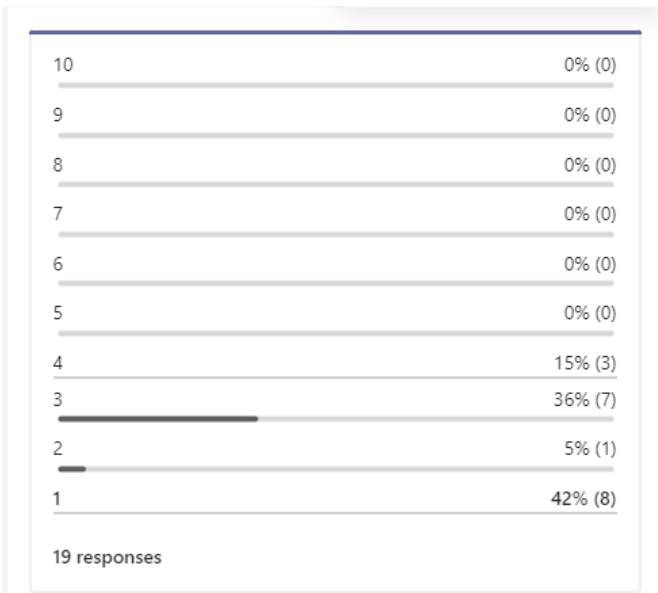
- Consensus was that the current CTB is not working, and we need to re-think how we go forward
- How is this going to look like going forward
- Need to involve the voice of the children and families which are more valuable from voluntary and faith organisations – voices need to be heard
- Invite representatives for the voice of the child/YPs
- Making the best of inspirational people

Following the workshops, the 3 questions stated above were put into a poll for members to anonymously answer, on a scale of 1 to 10, where 1 = no impact – 10 = great impact

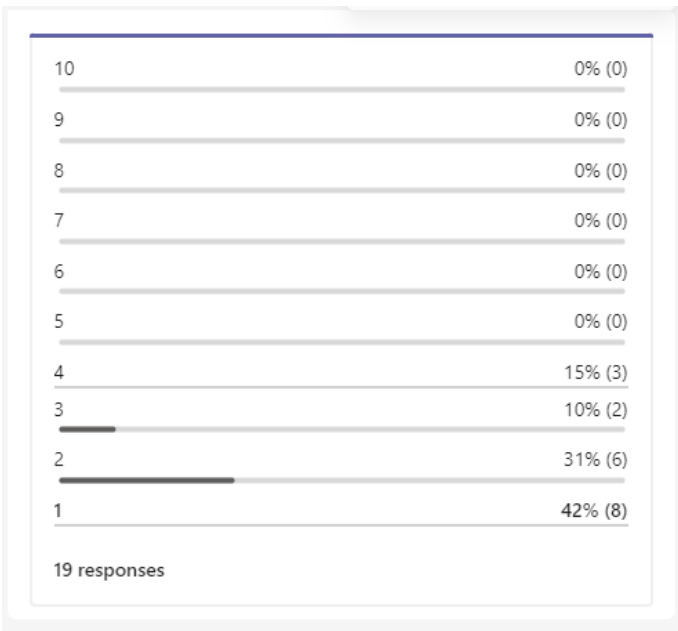
Q1. How impactful has your membership of the CTB been to date in influencing what you do back in your organisation in relation to health and wellbeing?



Q2. To what extent do you feel the voice of Children & Young People influence priorities and decisions made at the CTB? e.g. in relation to neglect, mental health and wellbeing



Q3. To what extent do you feel that voluntary, community and faith organisations are able to influence priorities and decisions made at the CTB? e.g. in relation to neglect, mental health and wellbeing



4. The Children’s Trust Board – Looking to the Future (group discussion on next steps)

Suggestions/Comments

- Going forward these meetings need to be face-to-face where possible.
- Attendee list has grown so need to review the relevance for some members
- Look at other LAs to see how they are constructed and chaired
- It’s clear that the Board needs to evolve and change
- Re-evaluate the shape, size, and chair of it
- Possibly more of a partnership leading on this
- Need to constantly review Terms of Reference, structure, and governance

- Important to have more of a shared purpose and focusing on principles, drive, and opportunities
- To keep in mind the values and value of the CTB

In advance of the next meeting there was a suggestion that a questionnaire would be distributed for all to feedback

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 8th November 2023 5pm – 7pm