

## COMMUNITY SECTOR ROUNDTABLE

### MINUTES OF MEETING Tuesday 8 September 2015

196 Oxford Street, Leederville

Meeting commenced at 9:30am

#### 1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed members to the Community Sector Roundtable meeting.

##### Present

Ms Sue Ash	UnitingCare West
Ms Kay Benham	Department for Child Protection and Family Support
Mr Ian Carter	AnglicareWA
Ms Irina Cattalini	WACOSS
Major Andrew Craib	The Salvation Army
Ms Mandy Gadsdon	Department for Child Protection and Family Support
Mr Basil Hanna	Parkerville Children and Youth Care Inc
Ms Debbie Henderson	Family Inclusion Network of WA Inc
Ms Amanda Hunt	Mission Australia
Ms Tricia Murray	Wanslea Family Services Inc
Mr Ashley Reid	Ngala

##### In attendance

Ms Emma White	Department for Child Protection and Family Support
Ms Sandra Flanagan	Department for Child Protection and Family Support

##### Apologies

Ms Cheryl Barnett	Department for Child Protection and Family Support
Ms Melissa Perry	Communicare Inc
Mr Steve Glew	Department for Child Protection and Family Support
Mr David Hogg	Lifestyle Solutions
Mr Tony Pietropiccolo	Centrecare Inc
Ms Veronica Rodenburg	Yaandina Family Centre Inc
Ms Dawn Wallam	Yorganop Association Incorporated/SNAICC

#### 2. Minutes of Meeting held on 11 August 2015

The minutes from the CSR meeting held on 11 August 2015 were confirmed as an accurate record of the proceedings.

#### 3. Guest Speakers

Ms Tracey Gillet and Ms Melanie Croke, Department for Regional Development

Leadership and Partnership Forum – Regional Reform

Regional reform was a Cabinet decision to improve the social and economic outcomes for people living in the Pilbara and the Kimberley. The appointment to key positions will be announced this week. The positions will be placed in the Pilbara, Kimberly and Perth.

One Arm Point has been selected as a case study to be discussed at the Leadership and Partnership (L&P) Forum.

Ms Gillet discussed the questions circulated prior to the meeting. It was advised that Mr Grahame Searle will facilitate the workshop session. It is acknowledged that the majority of participants will be from the metropolitan area. While focusing on a regional case study, the principles will apply across the board.

It is anticipated that outcomes will include changes to the way agencies fund programs and service design.

The Reform Unit, Department of Regional Development, is undertaking comprehensive service mapping. This will be provided to Heads of Agencies once complete.

The Chair thanked Ms Gillet and Ms Croke for attending the meeting.

Mr Jethro Sercombe was welcomed to the meeting.

Mr Carter and Mr Sercombe provided an overview of the Foyer Oxford, including the following points:

- Consortium model
- 98 units
- 23 million to build
- Two year maximum stay
- 24 parents with children
- 16-23 years on entry
- Each tenant has a contract with the Foyer - with each party (tenant and Foyer) agreeing to fulfill specific obligations.
- Leases are 4 monthly
- Accreditation process is being developed with specific criterion that must be met to use the Foyer brand.

The Chair thanked Mr Sercombe for his presentation.

#### **4. Actions Arising**

##### **4.1 Learnings from place-based initiatives**

Mr Carter advised that five presenters have been confirmed, representing the following models:

- Communities for Children
- Child and Parent Centres
- Family Support Network
- WA Primary Health Association
- UnitingCare West Inner City Centre.

Each will provide a brief overview of their model based on focus points provided, followed by a Q&A session.

Ms Cattalini will provide a paper for circulation by Tim Moore - *Engaging and Partnering Vulnerable Families and Communities: the Keys to Effective Place-Based Approaches*.

<b>Action:</b> Ms Cattalini to provide the above mentioned paper for circulation to members.
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##### **4.2 Evidence base and evaluation – Terms of Reference**

Deferred to October meeting.

## 5. Agenda Items

### 5.1 Out of home care system

#### 5.1.1 Legislation Consultation paper

Ms Benham discussed the Legislation paper which was circulated prior to the meeting. It was reiterated that this paper is not yet for circulation. It will be released for comment once finalised. Comments can be provided directly to Ms Benham.

Members discussed the need for a common understanding of the law and practice and the difficulties that can occur in interpreting the language in legal documents such as legislation.

It was suggested that a 'words and pictures' exercise be undertaken to simplify the key aspects of the document for clarity.

**Action:** Members to provide feedback to Ms Benham.

#### 5.1.2 Eight Key Principles: for young people in out-of-home Care. Discussion deferred to next meeting

## 6. General Business

### 6.1 Feedback from Robert Fitzgerald RC

The Chair provided a presentation which will be circulated to members.

**Action:**

Circulate PowerPoint to members.

Mr Carter to provide paper for circulation, *The common Good, Lord Maurice Glasman*

### 6.2 Other Business

NIL

## 7. Guest Speaker

Mr Terry Simpson, Consultant

*Review of Departmental Community Sector Service Expenditure - update*

The Chair welcomed Mr Simpson to the meeting.

Mr Simpson identified the following as key issues arising from the consultations to date with key groups including CSR, the Alliance, CYFAA and consumer groups:

- Out of Home Care reform and the implications that may arise from the Royal Commission.
- Collaboration and consultation – what is genuine collaboration?
- Fee for Service panel contracts – not working well for either the Department or non-government sector.
- Funded programs often require an individual or family's needs to fit the program rather than the other way around.
- Child needs to be at the centre
- Delivering Community Services in Partnership Policy - working very well in terms of contracting, however more work is needed pre contract, for example research in identifying the community need.

Consultation with District Directors will take place next week

The Chair thanked Mr Simpson for his time and the work he is undertaking. Members welcomed the opportunity to engage in this process.

#### **8. Next Meeting**

The Chair thanked members for their attendance and the meeting was declared closed at 11:40am. The next CSR meeting will be held on Tuesday 13 October 2015, at the Department for Child Protection and Family Support.