Care Leaver's Group 20 November 2018

Minutes

Present: Arun; Kelly; Caitlin; Luke; Jack; Shannon; Paige; Mark; Nancy; Jo M

1	Ofsted We looked at the ofsted report which had just come out and read the paragraph about CHICC, which was described as 'strong, active and influential'. We all felt proud!	
2	Care Leaver's Survey Jo took us through some of the headline results. 47 young people completed the phone survey. Results showed relationships with workers were good. Also the majority of contact with workers was within stipulated time. Some of the young people who did the phone calls said it was shocking that numbers didn't seem to be up to date – we need to feed this back to the service so that workers keep numbers up to date.	Jo and Nancy to feedback to Managers re numbers needing to be kept up to date for young people
	One thing of concern was about pathway plans. Not all young people had a say in their plan and some people didn't know what it was! A young person then asked why the personalized pathway plans stopped being used, as young people had done a lot of work on them. Nancy and Jo said they would feed this back to Managers and we will put pathway plans on our agenda next year for CLG to look at them again	Jo and Nancy to feed back to managers that CHICC CLG is concerned about pathway plans in light of some of responses to survey question. Jo and Nancy to ensure pathway plans are on the agenda for CHICC CLG next year
	Young people were also concerned that not enough young people were aware of CHICC. We need to do more to encourage workers to promote CHICC. Have workers got our business cards?	Nancy to look promoting CHICC to TYS teams again and distribute CHICC business cards
3	Care Leaver's Events Some of the young people had attended some of these events. Some of the activities were good and one young person noted that the 'YC Herts guys at the Welwyn event were great'. But everyone felt having one big event was better. Other comments were that care leavers were not involved in planning the events and there were no activities like the laughology session etc	Nancy to feed back to Manager that CHICC CLG would like care lever's event to be one event next year and not lots of little events
4	Council Tax Exemption One young person said that care leavers don't understand about council tax when they start living independently. More should be done to explain what it is for and how to pay it/get help with it.	Nancy to ask John Short re progress with council tax exemption
	Other young people asked about progress with council tax exemption. There wasa general feeling that things take or	

	ever and you never hear what it happening. Nancy agreed to follow up again.	
5	Joint CHICC 4 December Nancy asked who can come. K, C, A, S and J can all come. P can't. L will let let Nancy know.	
	Nancy asked for items for the agenda. One young person suggested putting something on there about rewarding young people as Herts Awards is only for education and there should be awards and rewards for more than just that.	
6	Project Positive Update	
7	CHICC Staff Conference	
8	Feeling Good Week	