

The Deputies, Minutes, 26 September 2018

Present: Alicia; Sam; Kelly; Mark; Nancy; Marion

Apologies: Tori; Caitlin; Alex; Emily

	Topic/discussion	Action
1	Placement moves The number of placement breakdowns has gone up, and HCC is trying to find out why, and what can make a difference. They asked if young people from CHICC could give their views about experiences with placement moves and ideas of what could make things better. We split up so we could do this confidentially, one to one	Nancy and Mark to submit young people's views anonymously to policy and performance team.
2	Feedback re use of photos Sarah Baker emailed to follow up on our thoughts and questions about the use of young people's photos on their files. Sarah confirmed that workers would work with young people to ensure it was a photo they liked. The police confirmed how they would only use a photo for a limited time when a young person goes missing. We discussed in what cases a photo would be issues if a young person goes missing – it would depend on individual risks. Marion commented it is nice when there's a photograph, as it reminds everyone that this is a real child/young person. Everyone was happy with the feedback.	
3	Joint CHICC This quarterly meeting with Senior Managers is next happening on 30 October. Alicia, Kelly and Sam can all come. We went over the timings and details of the meeting. For the first hour, it will be CHICC Deps and CLG with senior managers. The CLG identified a few topics they wanted to cover in this hour. Nancy asked Deps would topics they would like to cover. One idea came up – how can young people help SWs and carers with advice, when they have a query about how to deal with a situation with a young person. This was like the Teens and Carers workshops, where young people helped carers understand what their young people might be thinking/feeling. Eg, could there be some way this advice could be given by young people on line? After the first hour, juniors will come for half an hour. Juniors will be paired up with a Deputy who will whelp them talk to a senior manager. Juniors will be asked to come prepared with some writing or a picture entitled 'My Social Worker' After this, we will all go over to Campus West for the all ages CHICC Halloween event	Nancy to add topic to Joint CHICC agenda and circulate.

4	<p>Essay re Project Positive</p> <p>Marion read out an essay drafted by Impower. This followed a meeting on Monday with Marion, Mark, Impower and 3 care leavers (Kelly, Jemima, Tori). It was all about turning negative perceptions of care leavers into positive ones and our campaign to tie in with care leaver's week 'Project Positive'. Deps made a few tweaks to the essay, but overall the essay sounded good</p>	<p>Marion to ask impower to make the changes, And forward the new draft to Mark. Mark to circulate to Tori, Kelly and Jemima for final approval on Friday this week</p>
5	<p>Herts Awards</p> <p>We read out the nominations in the role model category (this is the category that CHICC gets to choose the winner of each year). Deps were undecided. Two young people voted for different nominations and one young person couldn't decide.</p> <p>In terms of attending – CHICC can have 3 places on top of the CHICC Yp who have been nominated. Kelly and Sam both quite interested in attending. Alicia will be going anyway as has been nominated.</p>	<p>Nancy to show nominations to more Deps/CLG this week and then forward to VS.</p>
6	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>Wednesday 24 October 5pm – 7pm</p>	