

Lancaster District Parenting Forum

Child and Parenting Support Services, Sefton Drive, Lancaster
LA1 2QD

Tuesday 1st November 2011 @ 9.30am

Minutes of Meeting

Present:

Sue Earnshaw, Chair of Forum & District Parent Support Adviser, Lancaster
Linda Chapman, YMCA - A.C.C.E.S.S Project
Joanne Knowles, Homestart
Wendy Croston, StreetSafe Project
Joyce Stanforth, Children & Young people's Development Manager (6-11yrs)
Cultural Services – (Libraries)
Kath Bromilow, Total Family Project – Police
Viv Robinson, Police Volunteer
Debbie Dawson, Senior Early Intervention Development Officer (EIDO)
Jessica Rodwell, CAPSS
Louise Baldwin, Grosvenor Park School
Debbie Frith, 'Best Start', Lune Pk Children's Centre, Lancaster
Tasnim Essa, Lancashire Link
Pam Whittaker, Health Trainers
Pete Keogh, Health Trainer Volunteer
Lianna Blezard, Barnardo's
Robert Haydon, Barnardo's
Wendy Jackson, Youth Offending Team

1. Sue Earnshaw welcomed everyone to the meeting. Introductions followed.

2. Apologies:

Ben Powell, Phoenix Project
Donna Whittaker, CAPSS, Child & Parent Support Services
Jo Stretch, Health Visitor
Sam, PIP (Play Inclusion Project)
Moyna Hargest, National Childminding Association (NCMA)
Sarah Haddington, Gypsy, Roma Traveller Educational Achievement Service
Rose Roberts, Public Health NHS
Amy Parker, Help Direct
Els Dhooge, N.Lancs Advocacy
Simon Rothwell, Addaction
Debbie Dewhirst, Vulnerable Household Project
Sarah Weekes, Learning Mentor, Pregnancy & Parenthood Service.

3. Minutes of the last meeting: agreed

4. Matters arising – No matters arising

5. Update from Sue Earnshaw, Forum Chair and District Parent Support Adviser – Lancaster.

- DPSA Monitoring & Reporting: Commissioners have been working with Debbie Dawson to agree appropriate monitoring & targets for Sue's role over the 12 month period. Sue does not deliver directly to Children & families, so she is looking for help and support from Forum members to collect data that will feed into her monitoring. ***If you are working directly with families and collect the kind of information (see below) that Sue can use – please collect the numbers from 1st October/November & December 2011; this will provide a 'snapshot' for the Early Intervention sub-group in January 2012. Thank you.***

Do you work with children, young people & families? **Have you figures/data on:**

- Level of need of families on continuum of need?
- How many families have experienced a **reduction** in their level of need during this quarter?
- How many families have experienced an **increase** in their level of need during this quarter?
- Level of need of families on exit from service?
- What are the family's main issues on referral? (Pls name/count all that apply from list below.....)
 - Worklessness
 - Housing
 - Lack of qualifications
 - Mental Health issues
 - Disability/Long term illness
 - Low income/debt
 - Poor parenting skills
 - Child behaviour
 - Child's health issues

- Drug/alcohol misuse
- Domestic Violence
- Risk of child protection issues eg: neglect
- Offending/anti social behaviour
- Immigration issues
- Other?
- No. of CAF's being **completed** by organisations in the forum?
- No. of CAF's **closed** by organisations in the forum
- No of organisations involved in training delivered through the parenting forum?

Your help with this would be much appreciated – please send figures through to sue.earnshaw@signposts.org.uk

- **Parenting Audit** – The latest Parenting Audit for Lancaster District was circulated to the Parenting Forum members during September/October 2011. The results are presently being collated and will be used to update the revised Parenting Strategy.
- The **Lancaster District Parenting Strategy** (September 2008) is to be revised and updated. ***A sub group is required to work with Sue on this task. If you are interested please contact Sue on 07825207025. Your help would be appreciated.***
- **'Working Together' forms** – these are available to download and complete from the Parenting website www.parenting.signposts.org.uk Please complete a form and send to Sue if you contact a member of the Parenting Forum to help you with your caseload/ share resources/attend training. Thank you.
- Sue has collated the local information from a previous LCC consultation that took place 09/10 across Lancaster District, where Parent Groups were asked a selection of questions, and the answers were collected on 'post-it's; the findings were handed round the room and shared with the Parenting Forum and are to be forwarded to the Lancaster Children's Trust EI Sub group.

6. Update on the Spot Commissioning Process: Debbie Dawson, Senior Early Intervention Development Officer, Lancaster, Fylde & Wyre.

- Early Intervention Spot Commissioning Applications
- Early Intervention Resource Panel;
- Gaps in Service Forms;
- CAF escalation forms;
- CAF drop-in sessions

Debbie explained her role as Senior Early Intervention Development Officer for Lancaster, Fylde & Wyre. Her aim is to embed good practice around Early Intervention. Early Intervention should be applied at Level 2 on the Lancashire Continuum of Need. The Early Intervention Funding is being used differently in each district; Lancaster has a spot commissioning model with £130K in the pot last April'11. £50K was applied for to fund the District Parent Support Adviser Post for a further 12 months (Sue Earnshaw's Post) and the remaining £80K for spot commissioning. The process to apply for funding is via an Application Form (available on the Parenting website www.parenting.signposts.org.uk) The child/young person is identified; a CAF (Common Assessment Framework) is completed if possible and a URN (Unique Reference Number) received and put on the app. form. You then apply for funding for specific pieces of work to be carried out; equipment; parenting programmes; group work etc.

One successful application was for a bike and safety equipment, for a young man to enable him to continue his work with the Princes Trust, as he lived a considerable way from the centre.

Another successful application was the purchase of some carpets in a house, where a family had been referred to Social Care for neglect. The carpets have raised Mum's self esteem; reduced the Social Care input and the children are healthier as a result.

There is a 'Total Family' approach to the EI funding – working with the whole family

The x4 Lancaster Children's Trust Priorities are listed on the application form and applicants must ensure that the bid fits with the LCT outcomes.

The CAF must be promoted as the assessment tool to use with families if the need lies outside Universal Services at Level 2. Assessment tools vary within organisations; however, applications can still be made to EI on the basis that at least one in-house assessment has been carried out. The EI sub group is looking for consistency. The Application form is to be reviewed by the EI sub group.

Although the funding was originally aimed at children and young people, Debbie is now beginning to look at group work with the EI sub group members.

Funding for Statutory Services **cannot** be applied for; but funding for transport to access services from a statutory service **can** be applied for.

The £30K LDAT (Lancashire Drugs & Alcohol Team) funding that **was** available, has now been spent.

There is now a Resource Panel meeting monthly to discuss Gaps in Service and CAF escalation. (Forms available on the Parenting website) A 'Gaps in Service' form is used by the practitioner to highlight difficulty in accessing a specific service; the form is completed and forwarded to Debbie Dawson, who will take it to the next Resource Panel; a solution will be discussed and the results fed back to the practitioner; if no solution, the Gap will be put on the agenda for the next EI sub group for discussion. The CAF Escalation form is to be used when for Eg: no one is available to be the Lead Professional (LP)

Debbie and Sue held a successful CAF drop in session last month at Lune Pk Children's Centre; a further one is being organised. The purpose of the drop-in is for colleagues to share good practice on the practicalities of completing a CAF. Details to follow:

Debbie Dawson: Senior Early Intervention Development Officer (EIDO)

Debbie.dawson@lancashire.gov.uk Mob: 07557030645

7. Presentation of New Service to Lancaster District – 'Streetsafe Lancashire' from Wendy Croston, Intensive Support Worker

'Streetsafe Lancashire' is a Children's Society project in partnership with Lancashire Drug & Alcohol Team (LDAT) for Children & Young People who are involved in/at risk from Child Sexual Exploitation; it follows on from a previous project called 'Young Runaways.' They have a small team in Police Division at Lancaster, Burnley, Pendle, South Ribble & Preston. The team are called 'Breakthrough.' The Intensive Support Worker receives referrals from Police, Children's Social Care, Schools etc. She makes a home visit and works with the Young People only, NOT the family. This could be on a long term basis ie: everyday for 5 hours a day if required. The young person leads the support; ie: they could be having problems with friends and not realise they are being exploited; they could be involved in on-line gaming (Xbox live) PSP games; virtual games. The YP can be at high risk; they might think these are real friends and arrange to meet them!

A 'Grooming Line' is used by the Breakthrough Team to look at 4 stages of a relationship. Their aim is to keep young people safe – children are usually involved with Social care; Police; Sexual Health nurses. A child might disclose – then Criminal charges may be brought.

The team can provide Early Intervention (EI) Eg: If a school became aware that a group of girls are particularly vulnerable. Wendy can come into school and work with them as part of the Citizenship curriculum.

Referrals to the Breakthrough Team should be sent to the Central Children's Society at Preston. (Sue to put details of Referral process on the Parenting website)

Wendy is raising awareness of the project across the district at the moment.

Contact: wendy.croston@childrenssociety-org.uk

8. Presentation from Lianna Blezard & Robert Haydon – New Project in Lancaster from Barnardo's 'Vulnerable Young People's Service'

Rob is a student at University of Cumbria and is presently working with Barnardo's in Blackpool; The Vulnerable Young People's Service have funding for working in Lancaster – 11 hours per week on a 6 month pilot. The project is for vulnerable young people in Lancaster, who may be using risk taking behaviour as part of their daily lives and are finding themselves not quite fitting in to the catchments of any other services. Lianna is currently working with girls who are perhaps being quite promiscuous or taking risks as far as their sexual health is concerned.

The referral details will be available shortly. Please contact Lianna for further details:

lianna.blezard@barnardos.org.uk

The project aims to empower young people to make positive choices; take part in diversionary activities; work with schools – 1:1 work with 15 young people by March '2012. Referral details being completed.

Contact: lianna.blezard@barnardos.org.uk and Robert.haydon@barnardos.gov.uk

9. Latest Info. from across the Lancaster District:

- **'Work With Parents' Course** – During 2010/11 a number of Children's Centre/Family Support /Outreach Practitioners across the Lancaster District had the opportunity to access the City & Guilds 'Work with Parents' Course offered across Lancashire for a short time.

Rosella Davenport (Rosella Assessment & Advice Ltd) a local and respected trainer, currently lecturing with University of Central Lancashire (UCLAN) has a new flexible variation of the WWP course accredited by City & Guilds; this

virtual/work based structure has been specially designed to accommodate those who work in the field but are unable to take time out on a regular basis and are therefore unable to attend the more traditional type of 'course delivery' with flexible time scales and negotiable start and end dates. The course enables the candidates to be assessed in the workplace via observation and demonstration.

To find out more and discuss fees and course details please contact Rosella on: Mob: 08451585432 Website: www.rosellaadvicelimited.co.uk

Details and a list of possible sources of funding will be posted on the Parenting website asap.

- **YMCA Lancaster & District:** Appointment of Service Manager, Nik Marsdin. **Tel: 01524 32737** n.marsdin@lancasterymca.co.uk
- **Bay Childminding Network:** *New Brochure:* Updated list of Registered Childminders across Lancaster District and contact details; contact **Jo Dodd** at Lune Park Children's Centre, Lancaster: **Tel: 01524 382818.** (Brochure available to download from the Parenting Website)
- **Help Direct:** Help Direct will be holding another multi agency information event at Morecambe Arndale Centre on: **Monday 21st November 2011 between 10am – 3pm.** The theme will be 'readiness for winter' and promoting initiatives that can support safety, heating, debt support & debt avoidance.

Contact: Simon Denerley – Area Co-ordinator Tel: 01524387853 or Mob: 07896600186 or e-mail: simond@loc.helpdirectlancs.org.uk

- **S.E.E.D. – Support and Education for Eating Disorders** are celebrating after reaching their target to become a registered charity. **Contact Lynne Deery – Service Co-ordinator on Mob: 08443915539 or visit website: www.lancashireseed.btik.com**
- **Contact 999 by SMS text – For more information visit:**
 - www.emergencysms.org.uk
 - www.mid.org.uk/esms
 - www.lancsfirerescue.org.uk
 - www.lancashire.police.uk

- **Message from Linda Chapman to Forum Members –**

It is with regret that I need to inform you of the closure of the **TRUCE** project within the Lancaster & District YMCA. Like many other services we are having to close due to lack of funding. The counselling service is being closed down totally and the family mediation service is being transferred to our housing staff.

I will still be offering counselling in my private practice and I can be contacted at chapchat@btinternet.com for further information..

Thank you to all who supported our service and my apologies to anyone we have had to let down or turn away.

Kindest Regards,

Linda Chapman.

- The **new Children & Young People's Plan 2011-2014**. Copies of the full plan, a summary version and diagram are available to download from the new Lancashire Children's trust website: www.lancashirechildrenstrust.org.uk
- **TRUST TALK** - This is the termly newsletter for Lancashire Children's Trust. Please find latest edition on the Lancashire Children's Trust website (see above)
- **West End Impact**: 12 – 14 Heysham Rd, Morecambe.
Expectation Café open at 10.30am every Tuesday (**during term-time**) – come and join us for Coffee, cake and company – soft play area and toys – All welcome
Impact Youth Group – 6.30pm every Wednesday. For more info: contact the Youth Pastor at: zofia@mcc.uk.com
Also find us on Facebook or Check out our website: www.mcc.uk.com
- **Start4Life** – Start4Life is here to help you give your baby the foundations for a better start in life. www.nhs.uk/start4life
- **'No Health without mental health'** – A cross Government mental health outcomes strategy for people of all ages – see the complete Strategy at www.dh.gov.uk/mentalhealthstrategy
- **Ben Powell – Phoenix Project** – Ben now has an office base with Health Trainers & Advocacy at St. Leonards House, Lancaster. Contact Ben on: 01253 362140 (Please find brochure for the Phoenix Project on the Parenting website – www.parenting.signposts.org.uk)

- **‘Gardening Matters’ – For all your gardening needs – A furniture Matters Project** – contact 01524 426622 for more information/to arrange a no obligation quote or e-mail: gardening@furniturematters.org.uk
- **One Parent Families Group – Lancaster area** - Group of one parent families who meet regularly to have fun together. Our activities include days out; walking; cinema; watersports; camping and much more! We also have a facebook page to keep in touch with each other. If you would like to find out more about this friendly group – please leave a message on **01524 423973** (Debbie)
- **‘Positive Steps into Work’** – Project funded through the Lancaster District Local Strategic Partnership – for People who are Homeless; People with learning/physical disabilities; Young people aged 16yrs and over including school leavers; People with mental health/Health issues; Lone Parent families; Anyone living in the Poulton; West end; Westgate; Heysham North; Ryelands or Vale areas within Lancaster & Morecambe district. For further details on referrals or to make an appointment or to get more information; contact Debbie Dewhirst (Project Manager) on 01524 582677 or Mob: 07920766796 or e-mail: ddewhirst@lancaster.gov.uk (Please see Parenting website for brochure www.parenting.signposts.org.uk)
- **Action** – a Drugs and Alcohol Handbook for Early Years Workers. www.lancashire.gov.uk/education/childcare
- **Netmums:** a completely parent driven service.; unique free online support for Mums, providing 24 hour peer support (parent supporters) and support from a team of professionals. www.netmums.com
- **Useful link for Parents/Carers** – see ‘Parents Link’ on the Parenting website www.parenting.signposts.org.uk
- **Working Together to Safeguard Children (2010)** – sets out how individuals and organisations should work together to safeguard and promote the welfare of children. Download from www.ecm.gov.uk/workingtogether
- **Lancashire Prevention & Early Intervention Strategy 2010** on Parenting Website www.parenting.signposts.org.uk
- **Guidance on implementation of the Equality Act:** www.equalities.gov.uk/equality_act_2010/equality_act_2010_what_do_i_n.a.spx
- **North Lancashire HIV Support Group:** Meets in Lancaster on the 2nd Thursday in the month. This group is open to anyone living with HIV, regardless of gender, sexuality, race or nationality.

We can offer help with travel expenses.

If you want to know more or need to discuss anything before coming along please call Peter for more information: Please contact Peter: **07855342732**.

- **Balmoral Children's Centre website** – Balmoral Children's Centre now have a website: Go to: www.balmoral.childrencentre.org

- **Chill Out Zone – a free Parents Support Group with childcare for children with Autistic Spectrum Conditions.**

A series of 6 support groups across Lancashire providing practical support to parents and carers of children & young people of up to 18yrs of age with Autistic Spectrum conditions.

Monthly groups taking place at:

- Rossendale – Bacup Monday evenings 6 – 8pm
- Ribble Valley – Whalley Tuesday evenings 5 – 7pm
- Hyndburn – Clayton-le-Moors Thursday evenings 6 - 8pm
- Pendle – Nelson Monday evenings 6 – 8pm
- **Lancaster – Lune Pk Children's Centre – Thursday evenings 6 – 8 pm**
- West Lancashire – Skelmersdale Thursday evenings 6 – 8pm

Relax whilst your children are supported by trained staff in activities including: Games and messy play; Arts and Crafts; Wii console.

For further details and to book a place - contact Julia Butcher at The National Autistic Society (NAS) on 0161 9453341 or Mobile: 07717577596 or e-mail: Julia.butcher@nas.org.uk

- **Downs Syndrome Parents & Carers Group Newsletter No.14** – available from the Parenting website: www.parenting.signposts.org.uk.

- **Your Guide to Grants for the Disabled – New website**

www.disability-grants.org

- **Ludus Dance – New Classes**

Book Online: www.ludusdance.org for orders over £8 or call: 01524 35936

Training:

- **'Speakeasy'** An 8 week course for Parents (with Open College Network Accreditation (OCN) = to GCSE Level A-C & D – F) on: 'How to answer the questions children ask about growing up, sex and relationships without feeling embarrassed!'

The course also covers puberty, media and peer influence, school sex ed. policies, types of contraception & information about sexually transmitted infections – Plus lots of chat and a bit of a laugh!

Courses are regularly running throughout the district.

For more information & to secure a place please call:

Hazel Collier on 07970848393 or Rosie France on 07919497402.

See Parenting Website for downloadable poster:

www.parenting.signposts.org.uk

- **CAMHS Prevention & Early Intervention Service - ‘Developing Active Listening Skills’** on the **18th November 2011** @ Ryelands House, Owen Road, Lancaster from 9.30am – 4.00pm. A Multi Agency Workshop which will enable delegates to Identify and develop their own skills in active listening; Explore the importance of using active listening with young people; Develop their confidence in practicing active listening skills within their own work context. £40 per delegate. **To Book:** Call Sharon Hogg on 01524 834140
- **CAMHS Prevention & Early Intervention Service - ‘ Childhood Trauma’** on the **22nd November 2011** @ Ryelands House, Owen Road, Lancaster from 9.30am – 4.00pm. This course will explore: What constitutes a traumatic event; Developmental trauma – the effects of unregulated stress in infancy; The impact of traumatic stress on child development; What people need to recover from trauma; Vulnerability and resilience factors; The impact of working with traumatised children on individuals and multi agency work. The drama triangle; Strategies to prevent and recover from secondary stress disorders. £40 per delegate. **To Book:** Call Sharon Hogg on 01524 834140
- **FREE!! ‘Financial Capability Training’** - Learn about maximising income; budgeting; saving; borrowing debt; scams; tax codes – organise a group or 1:1 training can be given – content and time can be negotiated – contact Elaine Wilson on: elainew@northlancashirecab.org.uk
- **FREE!! ‘Energy Best Training’** – This training looks at searching for better deals on gas and electric. The training can be presented to groups and last about an hour. In addition Elaine can offer some ‘Frontline Training’ Contact Elaine on: elainew@northlancashirecab.org.uk to arrange dates and times convenient to your group.

Poster available on Parenting website: www.parenting.signposts.org.uk

- **Gary Humphreys Free Leadership Coaching**

Gary Humphreys, a qualified children's Social Worker, is currently undertaking his MA ILM Level 7 Leadership coaching award and in order to broaden his portfolio

- is offering people in the voluntary sector a free short course of three leadership and management coaching sessions.

This could include strategic planning, restructuring, responding to change or professional development. He uses a mixture of solution focused and Goal Centred approaches that are creative and determined by the coachees agenda. The sessions, of 1 hour, can be based at the workplace in a suitable room or at his location in Lancaster.

For more information, call Gary on **07710 750 663**.

- **See all Training Course information attached on Parenting Website**

www.parenting.signposts.org.uk

10. Round the Room Updates (A 'brief' update on service information from forum members)

- **Joanne Knowles (HomeStart)** - Homestart are very busy. Taking lots of referrals. High numbers of families needing support. Volunteers required (2 – 3 hours per week) – Full training course available. **Contact Joanne at: mail@homestartml.co.uk or ring: 01524 414871**
- **Louise Baldwin (Grosvenor Park School)** - Louise is a Learning Mentor/Parent Support Adviser. She does 1:1 work with children and supports parents & families. **Contact Louise at: l.baldwin@grosvenorpark.lancs.sch.uk**
- **Debbie Frith (Best Start Project Worker, Lune Pk Children's Centre)** – This is a new post. Best Start is a new project, delivering Early Support to children receiving Free School Meals aged 4yrs – 7yrs in schools. The Early Support might be Family Support; Parenting Programmes; increasing resilience; Health support; Learning at home. There is also a further pot of money for each child 'Pupil Premium' – for improving the child's education. At the moment Debbie is visiting the schools (30 of them!) Finding creative ways of working with the schools. **Contact Debbie at: debra.frith@lancashire.gov.uk or Mob: 07706226187**
- **Wendy Jackson (Youth Offending Team)** - The service is continuing it's restructure – big period of change. **Contact Wendy on wendy.jackson@lancashire.gov.uk**
- **Tasnim Essa (Lancashire Link)** – Lancashire Link looks at themes and links with groups and individuals such as: prisoners & mental health; travelling communities; elderly people – then issues reports to LCC who then monitor the services. Tasnim is looking at Children & Young People's issues in N.Lancs. The

service is going to be called 'Healthwatch' from next year. **Contact Tasnim at:** tasnim@bha.org.uk or ring: 01524 387835/6

- **Linda Chapman (Counselling Service)** – Lancaster District YMCA is merging with Fylde YMCA. The TRUCE Counselling service has now gone. Family mediation is now being delivered by Housing within the YMCA and will be a more directive service. The counsellors & student counsellors have decided to begin a new service 'A.C.C.E.S.S' - **A**ffordable; **C**ounselling; **C**aring; **E**motional; **S**upport; **S**ervices. This service will be available for young people aged 14 and above. ACCESS are presently looking for premises. The ending of the TRUCE project will leave a huge gap in emotional support services across the district. The family work will continue and leaflets and a website are being prepared. Linda is going to offer a private practice from her home for young people 12yrs and over. **Contact Linda at:** chapchat@btinternet.com
- **Pam Whitaker & Pete Keogh (Health Trainer & Health Trainer Volunteer)** – Health Trainers work with adults 18 yrs and over across the Lancaster/ Morecambe area. support and work with people on weight loss issues; alcohol issues; well being etc. The issues can have a knock-on effect on the whole family. They work in community venues. They are not Health Visitors. They are working with midwives re. smoking cessation. Referral forms are available from the Parenting website www.parenting.signposts.org.uk **Contact Pam at:** PWhitaker@ncompass1.org
- **Joyce Stanforth (Children & Young people's Development Manager (6-11yrs) Cultural Services – (Libraries)** – New Lancashire Reading Challenge available at local libraries, for 4yrs – 11 yrs called 'The Lancashire Reading Trail' The challenge is to encourage children to read lots of books. It was launched in October 2011. Children can still join and its fantastic fun! In Morecambe & Heysham there is 'My Voice' happening in 3 hubs – possibly libraries. Young People volunteer and can choose to have Eg: a DJ Session or request an Author to visit etc. Joyce is looking for some Young People to work on this. There was also a discussion re. World Book Day/Evening (23.4.12) – If you look on the website www.worldbooknight.com there is an opportunity to pick your top 3 books from a list – plan how you are going to circulate copies ie; to a local group etc; then hand them out. It was suggested the Parenting Forum could take part and hand books to parents via services linked to forum. Sue to investigate. **Contact Joyce at:** joyce.stanforth@lancashire.gov.uk
- **Kath Bromilow (Police Officer – Lancaster)** Kath is working with the Total Family Project, identifying complex families, 'high end receivers' who agree to work with the project; Kath aims to pull services together to benefit the family. Currently delivering to 3 families in Lancaster District. Kath is a member of the

Early Intervention Resource Panel. **Contact Kath at:**
Kathleen.bromilow@lancashire.pnn.police.uk

- **11. A.O.B.** – No Other Business



Happy Christmas to you all & Best Wishes for the New Year.

*Once again, 'Thank you' for continuing to support your
Local Parenting Forum.*

Sue Earnshaw (Chair)

- **12. Next Meeting**

**Tuesday 10th January 2012 at CAPSS (see address on front sheet)
at 9.30 am.**

All welcome. Anyone who would like to present their work or introduce a new service/project we'd like to hear from you - pls contact Sue. 07825207025

Everyone welcome at our bi-monthly meetings. Please bring your colleagues; become a member of the Lancaster District Parenting Forum e-mail list; RECEIVE REGULAR UPDATES!

Our work is linked to children, young people & families with a specific reference to 'parenting'; we keep informed and updated on the Prevention & Early Intervention Agenda and the work of the local Children's Trust Partnership.

We have our own website for Parents & Practitioners – take a look! www.parenting.signposts.org.uk