**SESLIP Models of Social Work Practice Reference Group Meeting**

**19th February 2020**

1. **Attendees**

Diane Williamson SESLIP - chair

Ann Marie Ali Bracknell – Forest - Sponsor

Kavitha Maxy Hampshire

Mandeep Gill Bracknell – Forest - Sponsor

Neena Khosla Surrey

Shungu Chigocha RB Windsor & Maidenhead

Sonia Johnson Bracknell - Forest

Susan Ashmore Kent

1. **Apologies**

Tom Stibbs Brighton

Karly Middleton Portsmouth

Nicola McGeown East Sussex

Emma Hovell Wokingham

Stuart Webb Southampton

Sandra Carnall Bucks

Debbie Price IOW

Sophie Marshall Milton Keynes

Sonia Johnson Bracknell Forest

1. **Purpose of the meeting**

The purpose of the meeting was to share the high- level findings of the ‘Call for Evidence’ and start to plan the Models of Social Work Conference which is to be held on 8th June 2020.

The aim of the conference is to share learning and experiences of models of social work practice that are being used across the region.

The conference and project is being sponsored by Nikki Edwards, DCS Bracknell Forest.

1. **Call for evidence**

There has been a good response to the questionnaire that was sent out in the Autumn, with returns from 18 Local Authorities. The models used across the region are:

* Family Safeguarding
* Restorative Practice
* Signs of Safety
* Strengthening Families
* Bespoke Models – Team Around the Relationship; Connected Practice; The Hampshire and Isle of Wight Approach

The attached document gives an overview of the models being used and the common features, including shared challenges.



The group discussed some of the common features of the models and some of the shared challenges.

1. **Programme for the conference**

A draft programme was considered including whether to consider national speakers and the possible offer from SCIE/What Works to present the findings of their national survey.

In addition to Bracknell Forest, who are sponsoring the conference and will talk about FSM, a number of authorities have offered input at the conference and Diane Williamson has had preliminary discussions with them. They are:

* Brighton & Hove – Team Around the Relationship
* East Sussex – Connected Practice
* Hampshire and Isle of Wight – The Hampshire and Isle of Wight Approach
* Wokingham and Milton Keynes - Signs of Safety
* Portsmouth - Restorative Practice

It was agreed that the 6 models above would form the focus of the conference with a presentation about each model in the morning, followed by workshops for each model in the afternoon.

The **morning presentations** would be 20 minutes each and each presenter would be asked to consider the following

* 5 minute overview of their model
* What works and why – focus on areas where there has been most change, what have been the benefits, what makes a difference
* How can they evidence that the model makes a difference to C&F
* Sustainability
* Ongoing Challenges

Presenters will be asked to provide some organisational context, how they are funded and information about workloads.

The **afternoon workshops** will be used to discuss LA experiences of using the models in more depth.

The afternoon workshops will be 45 minutes and will run twice in order to enable participants to attend more than one workshop

Diane Williamson will continue to liaise with **What Works** about whether their finds are relevant to the conference and, if so, offer a 15 minute time slot

After the workshop the conference will come together for brief **reflection/plenary. Mandeep and Ann- Marie will discuss with Nikki Edwards DCS ideas about how t take forward the next steps/closure of the conference.**

Diane Williamson will think about design for a **feedback/learning and next steps form.**

Bracknell Forest will support Diane Williamson in the **administration** of bookings for the conference

SESLIP are covering the **venue costs. 3 places are offered for each LA.**

1. **Next steps**
2. Mandeep and Ann- Marie to discuss detail with Nikki Edwards
3. Diane to flesh out proposal/guidance for presentations and workshops and discuss with Mandeep and Ann- Marie
4. Diane to follow up with the LAs who have volunteered input
5. Booking form to be sent out early March with workshops allocated in May
6. Diane, Ann- Marie and Mandeep to book conference call for early March
7. Further planning meeting should not be needed if LAs share their input with each other co-ordinated by Diane