

The future role of the EYDCP.

We are sure you are aware as partnership members that there has been some discussion already with regard to the continuing role of the EYDCP and its wider role within the Children and Young Peoples Plan for Herefordshire.

At the next partnership meeting in May, we have set the time aside for discussion and both Klaus and myself felt that the constitution was a good starting place.

DISCUSSION OF THE EYDCP BOARD CONSTITUTION

Suggestions for discussion:

FUNCTION:

It might be helpful to list some of the areas of decision making about the annual revisions of the EYDC Plan in the context of the Herefordshire Children's and Young People's Plan. In view of the fact the EYDCP Board's remit ranges across the whole range of pre-school provision (and some areas beyond this), its function includes the following

- ~ reviewing the aims of provision, and progress towards them,
- ~ considering the EYDC remit in relation to other sections of the LA's operation, particularly the Children's Directorate,
- ~ reviewing methods for obtaining users' evaluations of provision,
- ~ reviewing demand and supply regarding provision,
- ~ reviewing coordination and collaboration among services involved in provision – statutory and voluntary,
- ~ disseminating LA and central govt policies and considering their implications
- ~ considering funding arrangements and their implications for provision,
- ~ disseminating good practice emanating from Hereford providers
- ~ considering arrangements for recruitment and the development of the workforce,
- ~ agreeing new settings,
- ~ making recommendations to the Hereford Children's and Young People's Partnership Board about any of the above as appropriate.

MEMBERSHIP

- ~ reviewing the appropriateness of the current membership specification in relation to the above remit,
- ~ reviewing communication arrangements between representatives and their constituents,

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BOARD MEETINGS

- ~ noting the negotiable and non-negotiable elements of the meetings.
- ~ reviewing the form of the meetings, and how they can be made as effective and convenient as possible – including the briefing of members,
- ~ reviewing consultation and decision-making procedures.

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