

Lancashire County Council

Corporate Parenting Board

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 26th July, 2012 at 2.00 pm in
Plungington Youth & Community Centre, Brook St, Preston, PR1 7NB**

Present:	Members	
	County Councillor Tony Winder	- Lancashire County Council
	County Councillor Margaret Brindle	- Lancashire County Council
	County Councillor Mrs Pat Case	- Lancashire County Council
	County Councillor Andrea Kay	- Lancashire County Council
	County Councillor Carolyn Evans	- Lancashire County Council
	County Councillor Jennifer Mein	- Lancashire County Council
	County Councillor Vivien Taylor	- Lancashire County Council
	Jane Simpson	- representing Foster Carers
	Louise Taylor	- Director for Specialist Services, Directorate for Children and Young People, Lancashire County Council
	Kieran	- representing Children in Care Council
	Kris	- representing Children in Care Council
	Liam	- representing Children in Care Council
	Co-opted members	
	Paul Armitage	- or Paul Hegarty, representing Children's Social Care, Lancashire County Council
	Katherine Ashworth	- representing Young People's Service, Lancashire County Council
	Ismail Karolia	- Ambassador for Young People
	Cath Randall	- representing Primary Care Trust/Lancashire County Council
	Nicola Bamford	- Designated GP, representing Health
	Other Attendees	
	Sue Parr	- representing The Virtual School, Lancashire County Council
	Mark Elliott	- Governance and Project Support Team, Lancashire County Council
	Sam Gorton	- Governance Team, Lancashire County Council
	Laura Goodfellow	- Lancashire Children's Rights Service
	Louise Mackender de Cari	- Strategic Integrated Service Development Team, Lancashire County Council

Linda Harmer Jones	- Independent Reviewing Officers
Paul Maher	- Lancashire Children's Rights Service
Chris Berry	- Virtual Schools. Lancashire County Council
Mark Robson	- Virtual Schools, Lancashire County Council

39. Introductions and Apologies

Introductions were made round the room and it was noted that Kris would Chair this meeting, with support from County Councillor Winder.

Apologies were noted from Amy, Liam, Marcellus and Tasha

40. Healthy Eating

Liam led the Board through a presentation on healthy eating.

The Board undertook some group exercises regarding the balance of the various food groups and the challenge of providing food for ten people on a budget of £30 per day.

The Board in groups also recorded its ideas for advocating healthy eating and these ideas have been attached to these notes.

41. Communicating with Young People

Kieron led the Board through a brief session on how best to communicate with young people.

The Board, in groups, discussed the various options and these have been recorded on the sheets attached to this.

42. 10 minute break

43. Involvement in Formal Meetings

Kris led the Board in a discussion regarding the involvement of children and young people in formal meetings such as: reviews and Corporate Parenting Board and the use of the 'Golden Rules'.

The Board noted down its suggestions which are attached to these notes. The Board also welcomed the fact the Burnley Children's Trust Board are looking at the Golden Rules to see if they may be used as a way of communicating with Children and Young People.

44. What Next?

Kris led the Board in considering what were hot topics for young people at the moment.

The Board felt the topics included interacting with Social Workers, County Councillors to visit Children in Care Council (CiCC) meetings, difficulties in reaching all Children in Care, transport to CiCC meetings, membership, structure and size of the CiCC.

45. AOB

There were no items of any other business identified.

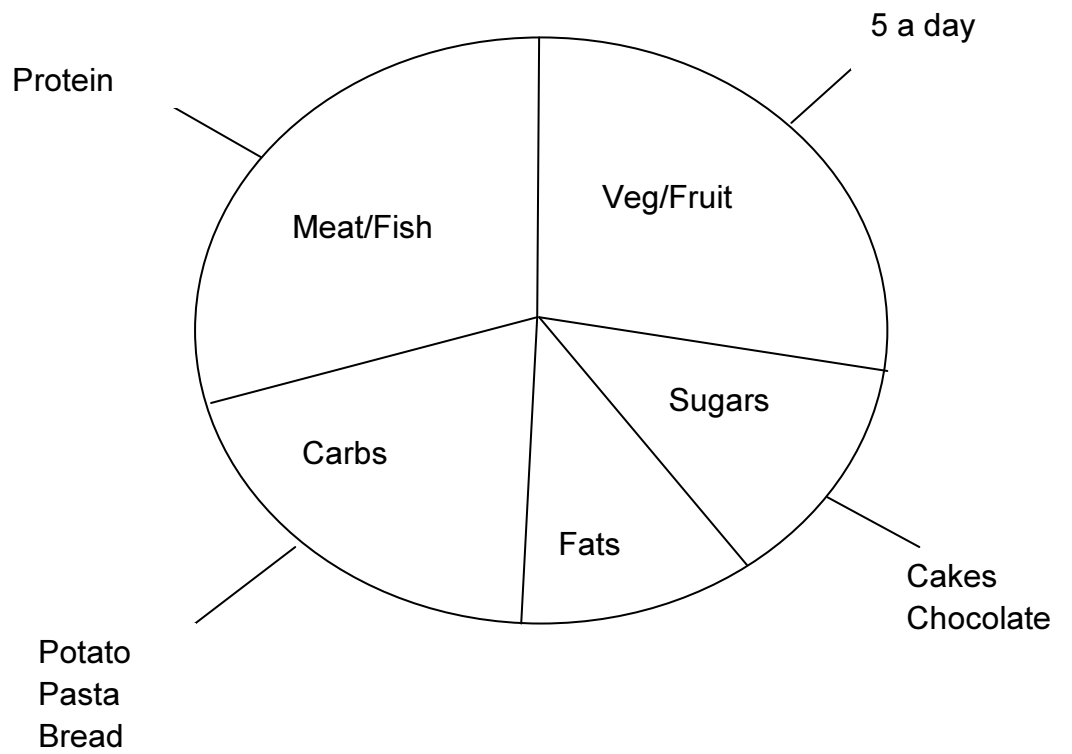
46. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The Board noted that its next meeting was to be held on 6 September in the Oak Room, Woodlands Conference Centre, Chorley at 6pm (refreshments available from 5.30pm).and that Dr Maggie Atkinson, Children's Commissioner for England would be in attendance.

Minute Item 40

Breakfast	Porridge with skimmed milk	Warm drink
	Banana/apple	
Lunch	Sandwiches – wholemeal bread	
	Cheese and tomato	Fruit, water
Tea	Spaghetti Bolognese with vegetables in it	Orange juice

1. Questionnaire.
2. More involvement in menu and shopping lists.
3. More involvement in helping with cooking leading to taking the lead with cooking meal.



£30

Breakfast

£2.80

24 Weetabix biscuits

£2.00

2 litres milk

£2.50

Jacket potato

Bananas

£1.00

Margarine/low fat spread

Juice

£3.00

Beans

Water

£4.00

Cheese

Spaghetti Bolognese

£3.00

Pasta

£6.00

Minced beef

£0.20

Tomatoes – 4 tins

Grow your own veg, herbs, spices

Source locally fresh produce

£30 for 10 people per day

Breakfast – cereal/milk/toast/jam = £5.00

Lunch – home made soup (£2.00)/sandwich = £5.00

Dinner

1. Children to help with shopping (basic cooking: learn to cook, learn to bake).
2. Bowls of fruit available.
3. Bulk cooking/freezing.
4. Veg garden.

10 People £30 Budget

Breakfast

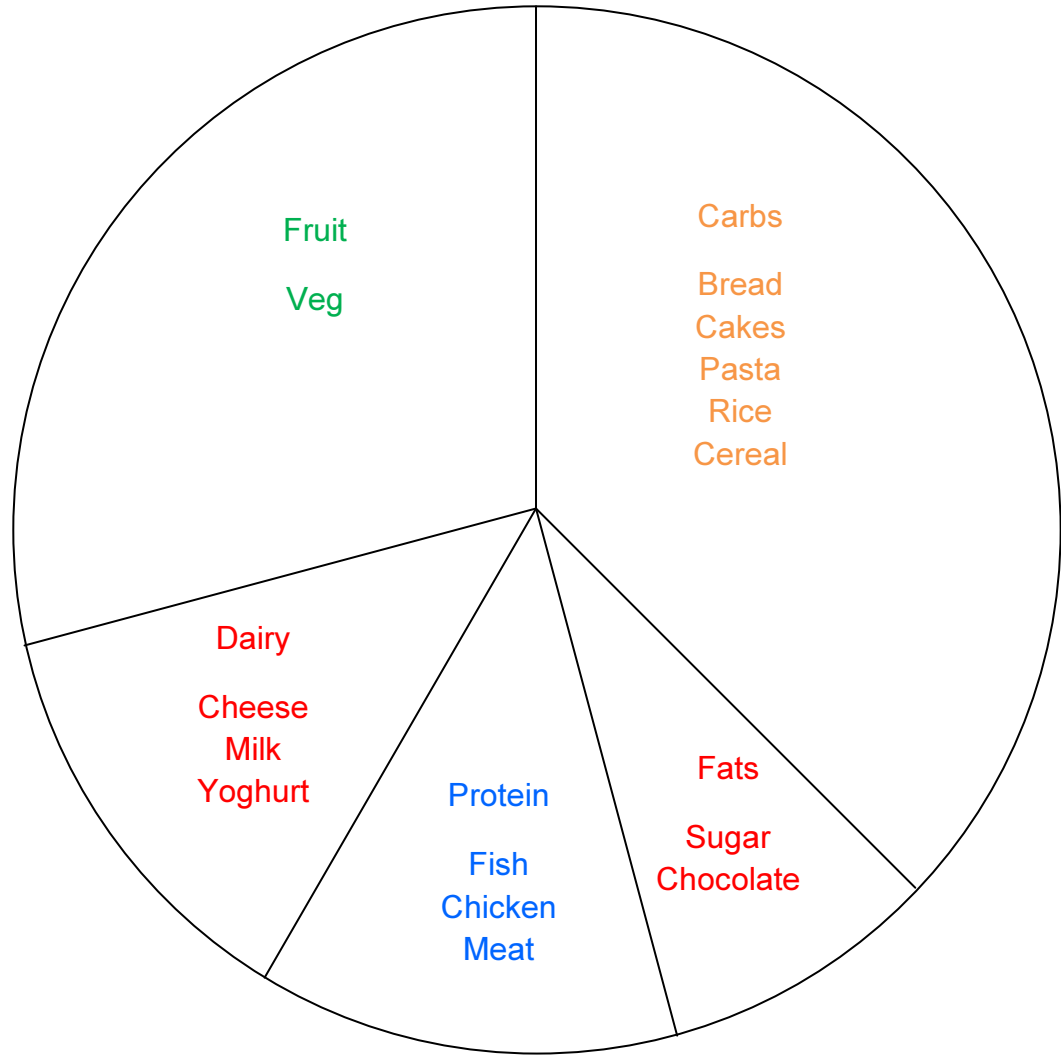
Porridge	£1.50
Milk	£0.99
Fruit	£1.00
Honey	<u>£1.00</u>
	£4.49

Lunch

Baked Potato	£3.00
Tuna	£5.00
Cheese	£2.00
Salad	£3.00
Yoghurt	<u>£2.50</u>
	£15.50

Evening Meal

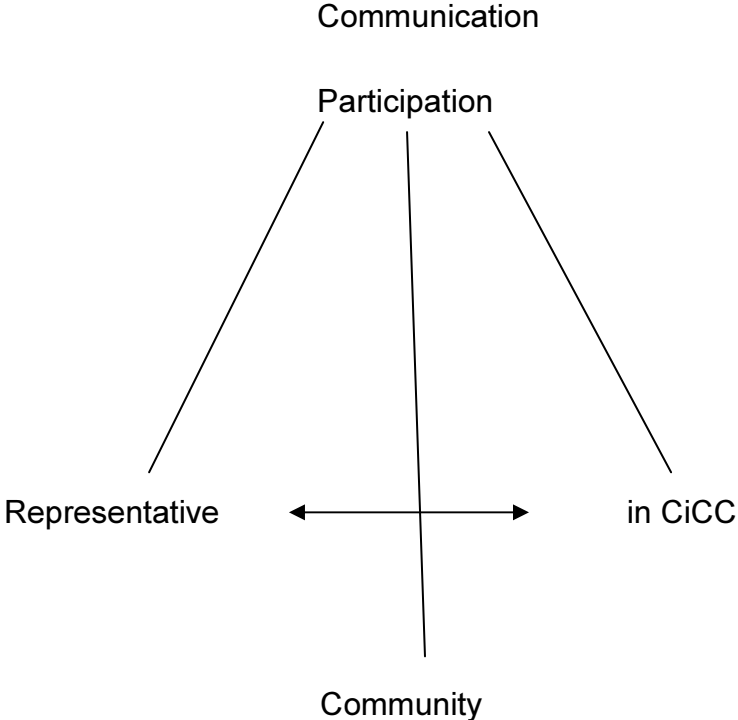
Spaghetti Bol	£7.00
Pasta	£1.50
Ice Cream	<u>£1.50</u>
	£10.00



- * Themed Days
- * Grow your own

Teach CYP how to Cook 'n' Shop

Agenda for Future Role



Communication

- Language.
- Two way.

- Returning calls quicker
- Less jargon – stop using acronyms
- More meetings that are planned and run by young people

Ways to Involve Young People

Reviews

- Ensure that there is an advocate (carer or school).
- Understand the necessity and purpose of reviews.
- Ensure communication with IRO.

CPB

- CinCC = key.
 - Ensure that our children have the skills to present.
 - CinCC must be properly representative.
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- Children's website (YPS).
 - Text.
 - Social networking.
 - Notice boards, letter.
 - 1-1, face to face.
 - Groups discussions.
 - Helplines.
 - Listen.

Golden Rules

Ways to involve young people	Barriers
• Young mentors.	• Travel
• Peer support.	• Access.
• Corporate Parenting Board.	• Resource/cost.
• Higher percentage of young people.	
• Day in the life of a Social Worker.	
• Let children and young people put their views first.	• Not finding appropriate person who can solve issue.
• Choice of Social Workers.	• Rushed.
	• Booklets for all ages (present younger children) (pre-meeting)
• Improved access to Social Worker with set SLA (Service Level Agreement). Phone calls must be returned within 24 hours or text message. If Social Worker on holiday, leave, etc there should be a Relief Social Worker.	
• Improve logistics/timings.	• Non-availability – school, college commitments.
• Improvement in agenda setting.	
• Children in foster care to be included.	• Isolation of children in foster care as they are not bonding with children in residential.

WAYS TO INVOLVE YOUNG PEOPLE	BARRIERS
Reviews Younger children - pictures – video diaries Advanced notice Young people can chair	Education – designated teachers not attending Teacher led education plan
CPB - Need more slack in meetings to ensure they can interrupt and ask for more details / explanations - More interactive activities - Apprentice – ideas for improvement - Speed dating Good to keep including YP Social session	- Terminology - Complicated - PowerPoint - Policies - Tight meetings / no chance to interrupt

How are we going to change?

- Limit presenters to 5 mins (as in County Council).
- CiCC to be helped have better understanding as their role as representatives of all CLAs (skills training needed).
- Open forum.

HOW ARE WE GOING TO CHANGE?

- Quality amount of time for each item
- More planning for YP before meetings
- Terminology – better use of language

Hot Topics

- CICC – membership numbers / structure / is it all appropriate?
- Role of social workers

How are we going to change?

- More young people.
- More time allocated for sharing and discussion of topics.
- Joint Chairperson starting with next meeting.
- More involvement in agenda setting.
- Wider representation across County and private sector.

****Agenda****

Suggestions for future meetings.

Discuss interacting with Social Workers.

Elected Members visit CiCC (Linx).

Ask Tony Button on websites.

