

Chair: Jenny Greenfield (JG), KCSC **Minutes taken by**: Fenn Reynolds (FR), KCSC

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1	Welcome and Introduction – Jenny Greenfield, Deputy CEO, KCSC		
	Agenda		
	Jenny Greenfield (JG) welcomed everyone to the forum and ran through the agenda and meeting rules.		
2	2 Update on Local Employment Programmes for Young People –		
	Sanae Elmed, Opportunities Co-ordinator, RBKC Susan Pieterse, Apprenticeship Co-ordinator, RBKC		
	Presentation		
	Sanae Elmed (SE) outlined the purpose of the Local Employment Programming in relation to their role and noted some key aspects such as influencing businesses to create workshop or trial periods as opposed to interviews for potential employees.		
	SE explained support available for young people such as information sessions that are run by SE and Susan Pieterse (SP), assistance in accessing the Kickstart Scheme for $16 - 24$ year olds in receipt of Universal Credit and access to the RBKC Opportunities Network which includes opportunities from over two hundred organisations.		
	SP explained the target to raise the profile of apprenticeships within the borough, with business, schools, and residents. SP and SE work with partners engaging with residents in an informal capacity, which can be one to one sessions, talks and accepting referrals.		
	SP promoted an event on 10 February 2022 at Kensington Town Hall, which includes around fifty employers across hospitality, construction, and other industries to advertise vacancies. She went on to explain the creation of an apprenticeship preparation programme for residents, which will explain what an apprenticeship is and present a myth busting element.		
	SP broke down her colleague Michael Adeniran's (MA) role, which is focal specifically on Construction Services. The responsibility of RBKC Construction Services is to introduce/reconnect residents of the borough to the construction industry. The people who can access and use this service can range from those who are entry level and looking to kickstart a career within the industry. Whether this be someone looking to access an apprenticeship, or someone looking to take		

	their first steps into construction with securing a CSCS Card which allow them to start accessing construction opportunities.			
	SP concluded by providing contact details for herself and her colleagues.			
	Employment: Sanae.Elmed@rbkc.gov.uk			
	Apprenticeships: Susan.Pieterse@rbkc.gov.uk			
	Construction: Michael.Adeniran@rbkc.gov.uk			
3	Introduction to Services – Camille Pegus, Children and Young People Commissioner, North Kensington Recovery, NHS North West London Clinical Commissioning Group			
	Infographic			
	Camille Pegus (CP) introduced herself and began by talking through an infographic explaining services in North Kensington, referral pathways to the NHS, and how to access services. The range of services includes dedicated health workers which can be accessed via referral from a GP or charities and the Grenfell Health & Wellbeing Service (GHWS) which offers counselling, therapies, and various mental health services for all ages. CP recommended that if referral partners have been waiting a long time for referrals to be responded to, to contact her via her email address (camille.pegus1@nhs.net).			
	NHS Grenfell services cover both mental and physical health, and CP highlighted that all children and families are entitled to yearly health checks, respiratory, paediatric and toxicology services, and enhanced health checks from GPs.			
	CP finished by mentioning the introduction of children and young people specific social prescribing link workers, that NHS Grenfell are in the process of setting up. They are aiming to have this service, which will see link workers be more outreaching and responsive to self-referrals, in the new year.			
4	Networking in breakout rooms			
	The attendees were split into four smaller groups for networking, and each group gave feedback of their conversations.			
	Alex Weston (AW) spoke for the first group, and reflected on the groups discussion on the excitement of moving back to in person events, with particular reference to the upcoming KCSC/Volunteer Centre/Nova Volunteer Careers fair.			
	For the second group, Bobby Juniper (BJ) spoke about updates from each other's different services. Services included Autistic and Proud peer support groups, Youth Action Alliance's work with young people and the traveller community, Clement James' employment services, as well as calm mediation and funding opportunities.			
	Lisa Nash (LN) expanded on the third groups conversations, with reference to Acava's family programme's developments, which includes trips to artist's galleries and to Holland Park.			

	For the final room, Sophie Fitzhugh (SF) spoke about her fellow group member Sona's Maternity Champions programme and the importance of partnership working. SF also spoke of her interest in KCSC providing professional boundary training, as this would be a good opportunity to have organisations come together and focus on a topic which could be well reinforced overall front line services.	
5	Funding Update, Young K&C – Nicola Butler, CEO, Young K&C	
	Nicola Butler (NB) introduced Young K&C, a membership organisation for voluntary organisations in Kensington and Chelsea. She introduced Anita Richards (AR), the Fundraising and Development manager, Niamh Graham (NG) Marketing and Communications Manager and Nicole De Souza (NS) Business Administrative Assistant.	
	NB expanded on the two grant funds that Young K&C have open, which can be found on their <u>website</u> . Only registered charities and CIC's in the borough, who are members of Young K&C, can apply. It is free to join Young K&C.	
	The first grant fund that NB focussed on was the <u>Cultural</u> , <u>Heritage and Identity</u> <u>Fund</u> , which is open to organisations. with a turnover up to £1m/yr. Projects applying need to be lead as much as possible by young people.	
	The <u>second fund</u> is being to be distributing a new grants fund for members, in partnership with John Lyon's Charity. This grant is to fund activities that make a difference to children and young people based on the priority areas identified by local young people in <u>RBKC's Youth Inform review</u> , including:	
	 Future and Ambition Safety and Security Community and environment Healthy, happy lives 	
	This concluded Young K&C's presentation.	
6	Funding Update, RBKC –	
	Laura Gregory, Transformation and Innovation Team, Bi-borough Children's Services Nick Orgovanyi, Grenfell Partnerships Team	
	Presentation	
	Laura Gregory (LG) and Nick Orgovanyi (NO) joined the forum and introduced their work on the North Kensington Inclusion Pilot.	
	LG began by explaining that RBKC is seeking to grant fund a local voluntary and community sector partner to deliver support, specialist advice and advocacy on education-based matters for parents, carers and their children.	
	In response to the impact of school exclusion levels, RBKC have developed a Bi- Borough School Inclusion strategy, with school exclusions being marked as a matter of priority by members of the community effected by the Grenfell Tower tragedy.	
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	JG concluded the meeting by thanking everyone for attending and to please visit www.kcsc.org.uk for upcoming events, and where you can sign up for the regular E-bulletin.	
	Nada Sallam (NS) gave a round up of the upcoming Volunteer and Job Fair, taking place on Saturday 20 November 2021. NS and Aimee Ling (AL) focussed on the 'Human Library' element of the fair and advertised the event for organisations to pass on to local young people.	
8	AOB and general updates	
	Full information of the funding and criteria can be found here.	
	Targeted service users for the funding available are people with health conditions such as cancer, obesity, mental health problems and diabetes among others. Funding will be given to organisations that approach these health conditions holistically. Experience of working with North Kensington is essential.	
	Camila Marin-Restropo (CM) talked about the Healthier Futures programme's funding opportunities. The funding pot of £60k is broken up into microgrants, for organisations with a turnover of less than £100k, and general grants for organisations with a turnover of over £100k. Funds will ideally be distributed by mid December 2021.	
7	Funding Update, Healthier Futures Family Based Funding – Camila Marin-Restropo, Health and Wellbeing Project Officer, KCSC	
	The deadline was extended to 1 December 2021.	
	Karima Bint Dawoud (KD) comment on the deadline for the funding being too immediate, and the window of application being far too short. LG replied that there could be an opportunity for an extension in this regard.	
	JG went on to ask LG if the fund eligibility could be extended to the south of the borough. LG responded that the learning from this pilot could inform borough wide responses, but questions where the funding may come from.	
	The deadline at the time of this forum was 22 November 2021.	
	Information and application packs can be requested by contacting <u>dayana.kertova@rbkc.gov.uk</u>	
	NO went on to explain that this pilot is expected to run for an initial duration of one year. It is anticipated that £50,000 would cover the cost of a full-time advocate in the first year, which would be payable to the provider for the duration of the grant agreement. In addition to the annual review, termly reviews will take place to formally assess how the provision is working against the key outcomes. RBKC aim to have this funding in place by January 2022.	
	For this pilot, the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea (RBKC) is seeking to fund a local voluntary and community sector partner to deliver specialist advice and advocacy on education-based matters, based in North Kensington. LG emphasized that one of the key expected outcomes of the advocacy and advice element of the funding, is to allow parents to feel that they have a voice around a particularly difficult subject matter.	

ATTENDANCE LIST

	Name	Organisation
1	Aimee Ling	Nova New Opportunities
2	Alex Weston	Healthwatch
3	Anita Richards	Young K and C
4	Ann Goodger	Dalgarno Trust
5	Bobby Juniper	The ClementJames Centre
6	Camila Marin- Restropo	Kensington and Chelsea Social Council
7	Chantelle Doman	
8	Corinne Rechais	Calm Mediation
9	Dee Dainton	Lancaster West Children's Community Network
10	Esma Dukali	Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea
11	Fenn Reynolds	Kensington and Chelsea Social Council
12	Gigi Yacoub	Westway Trust
13	Heather Boxer	West London Action for Children
14	Jenny Greenfield	Kensington and Chelsea Social Council
15	Karimah Bint Dawoud	Karimahs cuisina
16	Lisa Nash	ACAVA
17	Nada Sallam	Kensington and Chelsea Social Council
18	Niamh Graham	Young K&C
19	Nicola Butler	Young K&C
20	Nicole De Souza	Young K&C
21	Patricia Alert	World's End Under Fives Centre
22	Shelina Thawer	Kensington & Chelsea Social Council
23	Sona Djerrahian	Venture Community Association
24	Sophie FitzHugh	Rugby Portobello Trust
25	Tania Moore	Youth Action Alliance

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