

Barnet Supporting People Practitioners Group

Thursday 15th November 2007

1. Matters from last meeting

- James has still not forwarded the revised Service Specification
- No reply from Core Strategy Group re: extension applied for

2. Project Plan

- Kevin to re-draft with new start date in January after the meeting pending on 04th December 2007
- Kevin to forward redrafted project plan to Joe who will convert to readable version and circulate to members.

3. Procurement Meeting – 14.11.2007 (Feedback)

- The borough intimate imposition of a Bond in the contracts as security, should a provider experience financial difficulties
- Procurement is open to partnerships and sub-contracting
- James to circulate minutes of meeting
- From yesterday's procurement meeting, it appears that the borough intends to carry out Soft Market testing to establish the level of interest among providers not currently working in Barnet before
- James have circulated info on creating Consortium – Wiltshire
- Kevin to contact the agency and invite them to meet with the group to give info on the process - **KB**
- Procurement department wants larger organisations to work in partnership with smaller groups
- Further clarification is needed re: the process and timing of the sharing of information in relation to the following:
 - Details of large providers expressing interest in the procurement process
 - How information is shared to small providers

QUESTIONNAIRE - feedback

- Sent out by Kevin and positive response received
- Kevin to collate and circulate outcome to members

NEXT MEETING

- 13 December 2007 at 2.00pm