

# Scottish Child Rights Implementation Monitoring Group (SCRIMG)

Friday 21 May 2010

Victoria Quay – 10.30am – 1pm

## Present

Juliet Harris, Together  
Stefan Stoyanov, SCCYP  
Kelly Bayes, Together  
Chris Ratcliffe, SCCYP  
Joanna MacKenzie, Scottish Government  
Fiona Brown, Scottish Government

## **Welcome and Introductions**

1. Joanna introduced everyone round the table.
2. This is the first meeting of the SCRIM Group. It was decided that Tam Baillie would attend any future meetings which are to be held quarterly.  
**SG to confirm if Val Cox will attend future meetings as Joanna will be leaving at the end of October.**
3. It was agreed that Scottish Government will take on the secretarial role of the Group and will be the link between members.
4. Discussion on terms of reference to be circulated after the meeting and agreed by correspondents. (Current draft attached with minutes).
5. **SCCYP priorities:**
  - A Right Blether – main activity
    - Now – Nov – main activity
    - Nov – March Feedback
  - Commissioner's Tour
  - November – Voting by young people
  - November 2010 – SCCYP 21<sup>st</sup> Celebrations
  - Phase 3 – Tour round activities
  - Glow launch – 1000+ young people expected
  - 2 key areas – early years and impact of early years framework.
  - Tam to speak about EYF in the next few months. Tam has already briefed Ministers.

- Research between June – September
  - Web survey, asylum teams, teachers, UKBA, police
  - launch early December – Conference
  - 10 June – 1<sup>st</sup> Advisory Group Meeting
- Detention working under asylum
- Age disputes and age assessments
- Data protection issues – English Commissioner discussing with Welsh.
- Legacy Work – discussing with Scottish Government to discuss handling
- Policy priorities framed around **ARB** (Stefan?)
- Trafficking
  - Budgets and planning (taking in Children’s Rights)
  - Disabilities (children) and vulnerability
  - BINOCC are doing mid-term report towards rights of the child – Autumn 2011

## 6. **Together**

- Increase membership, better Local Authority coverage
- Need more work in Borders
- Website to be launched end May
- Search re Children’s Rights Case Studies highlights good pieces of work
- Resources – members ie, training around convention
- Highlighted through e-newsletter
- Mentoring implementation focused round children’s rights. Being done as web survey.
- Deadline for responses is end May. Launch in September (AGM).
- Regional networks
  - Phase 2 – online discussion boards
  - Ongoing monitoring of UNCRC
  - Focus on tackling negative perceptions
- SCCYP impact assessment tool
- SCCYP to do mapping exercise

7. Scottish Government to produce a resource for Local Authorities, plan part, service providers next Spring 2011.

- define advocacy
- define independence

8. Criminal Justice Bill going through Parliament contains provision to raise the age of prosecution to age 12.

## **Date of Next Meeting**

9. November 2010.

## **Themes**

- General messages of measures
  - General messages of implementation
  - Launch of Together Report
  - SCCYP and Together to discuss key themes and send to Joanna in next couple of months.
  - Written update in advance of meeting
10. These are our priorities to be shared round Group. To be identified by end September.