

South East Corridor Youth Partnership Project
**3rd Belmont Youth CAN (Collaborative Action Network) w/ participation from the City of South
 Perth & the Town of Victoria Park**

Monday 16 November 2015
 1.00PM-3.00PM

The Training Room, The Belmont Youth & Family Services Building, 275 Abernethy Road Cloverdale

Chair: Andi Dackins (AD), City of Belmont

Co-Facilitators: Ross Wortham (RW) & Anania Tagaro (AT), Save the Children

Minute Taker: Anania Tagaro (AT), Save the Children

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Agenda Items				
1.	Acknowledgement of Country/ Welcome & Roundtable Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AD provided an Acknowledgement of Country and welcomed the group. • AD provided brief introduction on the CAN and its purpose. • Attendees introduced themselves. 		
2.	Brief Overview & Discussion of CAN and its Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RW gave a brief overview of the recent history of the CAN. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RW mentioned that the point of difference of this group that sets it apart from other interagency gatherings and networking meetings is that it is a space to think more strategically in how youth services are able to identify gaps and opportunities for partnerships and collaboration in order to improve the lives of young people in the area. - He also stated that the conversations, actions and challenges identified and faced by the group can also be brought to a more systemic level through the structures in place that the CAN is part 		

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		<p>of through the YPP.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RW acknowledged that though there are two other CANs as part of the YPP in the SEC, they all do not have to be the same and follow the same work structure. As such, the Belmont Youth CAN needs to determine and develop its own unique identity and purpose. • RW posed the following questions for the group to brainstorm responses for: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) What are we trying to achieve as a group? 2) What is useful what we can do in this group that is beneficial to the youth services in the area? - These were the following responses to the above questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Share good working practice ▪ Networking ▪ Being well-informed about youth voice priorities and perspectives ▪ Determining local priorities and areas' greatest needs ▪ Greater strategic thinking ▪ Lobbying for change (utilising the SEMHSRMF better) ▪ There is benefit in coming together and sharing information and knowledge that could directly positively impact young people in the community ▪ May need to develop 'Working Groups' on specific actions, with the CAN meeting regularly every few months as a collective ▪ Develop communication pathways between other specific groups in the community ▪ Joint professional development and training ▪ More people coming together adds more weight to the cause; we are more likely to be listened to ▪ Joint funding applications and funding consortiums ▪ Identifying gaps and opportunities ▪ Alignment of purpose 		

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		<p>3) How often should we meet?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Monthly until the group decides otherwise <p>4) Who needs to really be here?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ We need each Member to take on the responsibility to be part of the CAN and also invite others within the community to be involved. ▪ RW clarified that the resourcing for the project ends in June 2016. However, with the City of Belmont leading and driving the CANs – as well as the other CANs being attached to LGAs – it is hoped that these spaces will continue to run even without the YPP’s support. <p>5) Is the Regional Youth CAN Action Plan useful?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The majority believes that the Action Plan provides direction to the group, and as such is useful. ▪ Lisa Dobrin from the City of Belmont stated that we should keep it simple, and that we should have key priorities that are aligned with what the young people are saying. ▪ Rachael Ralston from the YPP Youth Leadership Roundtable (YLR) said that we should use the Action Plan and if there are any actions that resonate with the group, then we should action those, and priorities which actions through majority voting. ▪ Kevin Taylforth mentioned that we need to have a more definite goal or purpose, and not having forums like the CAN to be utilised as a ‘talk fest’. The group agreed unanimously. <p>6) What are our priorities?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The group decided that they should read each of the 9 Focus Areas of the Action Plan and decide on the priority Focus Areas for the group by voting. ▪ Each CAN member present had three votes each to use. ▪ The group voted and the following are the tentative priority 		

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		<p>Focus Areas of the Belmont Youth CAN:</p> <p><i>Focus Area 1: Increasing & Improving Educational Opportunities for Young People</i></p> <p><i>Focus Area 2: Strengthen Genuine Relationships with Young People</i></p> <p><i>Focus Area 4: Greater & Improved Access to Resources that Support Collaboration for the Youth Sector</i></p> <p><i>Focus Area 7: Shared Evaluation/Measurement System within the Youth Sector</i></p> <p><i>Focus Area 9: Continuous Dialogue with Government</i></p>		
6.	MEETING Closed 3.00PM			
DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 16 December 2015 10.00AM-12.00PM @ The Training Room, Belmont Youth & Family Services Building, 275 Abernethy Road Cloverdale.				