



**18 December 2019**  
**Radisson Blu Hotel, Belfast**

**Present**

Judith Thompson (JT)  
Andrew Sloan (AS)  
Neil Foster (NF)  
Peter Mann (PM)  
Alana Fisher (AF)  
Holly Taylor (HT)

Paul Crawford  
Paul Gallagher  
Alan Brecknell  
Kathryn Johnston  
Lesley Veronica

Emmett McConomy  
Mina Jadeja  
Mary Moreland  
Paul McCormac  
Minty Thompson

Niall O Murchu  
Sam Wilson

**Apologies**

Donal Dunn

**Outline of Meeting**

JT welcomed Forum members and noted apologies. JT provided an outline of the previous Forum meeting and engagements.

JT reiterated the request for expressions of interest from Forum members to join the Standards Services Working Group, and Forum member Paul McCormac expressed interest in joining this group.

Following on from the previous month's engagement with Sahm Venter, JT highlighted the importance of story-telling and requested expressions of interests from Forum members who wish to be involved in story-telling projects.

Engagement with Queens University Belfast

A presentation by the Transgenerational Research Team from the Centre for Children's Rights at Queens University Belfast was delivered to the Forum by researcher Mary Louise Corr.

The Forum members engaged in a Q&A session, discussing the research methods and approach which are being undertaken in this project, the case study selection and methodology for this research and the engagement with children and young people.

The Forum Members and researcher engaged in discussion surrounding the mental health of children and young people, and the services and provisions which are required.

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**Action Point: Names of Forum members interested in engagement with Transgenerational Research Team to be passed on.**

The provision of a Clinical Psychologist will be offered should any Forum members wish to engage.

#### Engagement with Jon Boutcher and Jayne Richards, Operation Kenova

JT welcomed members of the Operation Kenova team: Lead Jon Boutcher and Family Liaison Officer Jayne Richards.

**Action Point: Operation Kenova team wish to engage again with Forum**

Jon Boutcher provided the context to Operation Kenova and his role as lead of the investigative body. Jayne Richards highlighted her role in working with families involved within the investigative process, and there was discussion surrounding family support for those currently engaging with Operation Kenova.

The Forum and the Operation Kenova team engaged in a Q&A session discussing the scope of the investigations being taken place, engagement with families involved and stakeholders in compliance with legislation.

Meeting closed.

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