



Notes from meeting, Wed 24th September 2014

Activities

Fatherhood Institute Initiative

Questionnaires have been returned and analysed from both training and childcare providers. There are some useful comments and indicators of willingness to be involved. There was a discussion of next steps and where to target activities. This is in 3 main areas—schools/colleges, employers and careers advisors. An action plan is being drawn up for further activities.

David to contact York to liaise with their activities.

Visit to London MiC group meeting

Still planning to travel to a forthcoming meeting of the London Men in Childcare group. We couldn't make the last meeting but David has asked for the date of the next one.

International

David and Joe are planning to attend and present at the forthcoming EU Men in Childcare event in Poland on 23/24 October organised by MiC

Opportunities

Schools Work

Gary is going to Bitterne Park school on Wed 1st October. He will take SAMEY fliers.

David and Gary to contact schools again with a view to arranging visits in the autumn term.

Gary to confirm attendance at Solent Skills Fest on Wed Oct 22nd from 9—6 where there will be an opportunity to promote ourselves to many school children and parents.

Half Day Conference

Possibility discussed of running a low-key half day event at City College, exploring Men in Early Years

Profiles

It was agreed to collect profiles from current men employed in the sector, for the website, using a set of simple questions. These were agreed.

Publicity

Items still being pursued -

- Gary organising a pull-up stand through City College
- podcasts (may be able to record these in City College studios);
- video (may be able to get City College students to produce this);
- testimonials / personal stories, quotes

David to email local settings / agencies again with the next meeting poster.

Next Meeting: 7pm Thursday 20th November 2014
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