

Reflections on Piloting SFP 6-12 Programme in Ballymun

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Pillars of Protection: Strengthening Families, Strengthening Communities

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Aisling Project

- * Established in 1997 in response to community need
- * After-school intervention for children
- * Working with 8-15 year olds
- * Activity based programmes
- * Holistic approach
- * Some previous experience of SFP

Background to SFP 6-12

- * Identified by Management of Aisling Project in collaboration with other agencies
- * Support from Ballymun Network for Assisting Children and Young People & Ballymun SFP Management Committee
- * Budget secured (BLDTF)– Approx. €5,000
- * Aisling Project's role for pilot: Site Coordinate, facilitate, transport, venue.

Set-up

- “Uni”-agency implementation
 - Management, support and funding from Ballymun Local Drugs Task Force
 - Support from Management of Aisling Project – in particular Sr. Malen del Valle, Project Leader
- * 2 week lead in time to organise:
- * Funding
 - * Venue Selection
 - * Time of programme
 - * Source appropriate facilitators
 - * Role division
- * Family selection/Profile
 - * Transport
 - * Food
 - * Childcare



Aisling Project Adjusts

- * Aisling Project Practices
 - * Relationship of parents and kids with venue
 - * Different approach to the kids/new role
 - * Working with parents
 - * Parents responsibility
- * Impact
 - * Practice re. family support
 - * Project outcomes



Uni-agency Implementation

- * Manual Development –
 - * Cultural Appropriateness
 - * Session Planning
 - * Adaptation & Creativity
 - * Use of IT
 - * Child's game/Parent's game



Uni-agency Implementation

- * Briefing and debriefing



Uni-agency Implementation

- * Rewards
 - * Age appropriate
 - * Budget
 - * Family based
 - * Accessibility



Uni-agency Implementation

- * Dual Role
 - * Child Perception
 - * Parent Perception
 - * Facilitator Clarity



Learnings

- * Planning time
- * Accessibility of programme for Parents
- * Time of the programme
- * Uni-agency Vs. Multi Agency
- * Resources
- * Budget
- * Profile of the Facilitators
- * Venue



Thank you