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#### **Cross-Party Group on Children**

#### Annual Report October 2013 - September 2014

#### **Group Membership and Office Holders:**

Julie Morgan AM Aled Roberts AM David Melding AM Lindsay Whittle AM

The group is serviced by Children in Wales.

Lynne Hill, Children in Wales, Secretariat

Meetings:

Meeting 1: Tuesday 19 November 2013

Topic: The Human Rights Imperative to Prohibit all Corporal Punishment of Children

Speaker: Professor Kirsten Sandberg Chair, United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child

#### Invitees/Acceptances:

Aled RobertsMember for North Wales

Andy James Barnardo's Cymru

Christine Chapman AM Member for Cynon Valley

David Melding AM Member for South Wales Central

Dilwar Ali Councillor for Llandaff North

Eleri Griffiths Children are Unbeatable! Cymru

Eleri Thomas Office of the Children's Commissioner for Wales

Garry Hunt Councillor for Llanishen Gemma Brown Barnardo's Cymru Gretta Marshall Councillor for Splott

Jan Pickles OBE NSPCC

Jane Williams Wales Observatory on Human Rights of Children & Young People

Jonathan Wynne Evans County Councillor

Karen Graham Glyndwr University Kevin Lawrence Barnardo's Cymru

Kirsten Sandberg United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child

Kristie Stewart Barnardo's Cymru

Lesley Parratt Independent/Childhood Studies, MA Student

Liana Sterio Barnardo's Cymru

Lindsay Whittle AM Member for South Wales East

Marie Navarro Your Legal Eyes Maureen Ingham BAAF Cymru Meg Kissack Welsh Women's Aid Mike Greenaway Play Wales

Mike Jones Millbank Primary School

Pamela Davies Flying Start

Pat Dunmore Pat Dunmore Consultancy
Peter NewellChildren are Unbeatable! Alliance

Richard Cook Cabinet Member Social Care, Health & Wellbeing

Robin Moulster BASW Cymru

Sara Reid Children Are Unbeatable Cymru

Sara Wiggins Flying Start
Sean Newton Barnardo's Cymru

Simon Thomas AM Member for Mid & West Wales

Siobhan Corria Councillor for Llandaff North

Sue Copner Cardiff County Council Tim Ruscoe Barnardo's Cymru Tom King Flying Start

Trudy Aspinwall Travelling Ahead

Viv Laing NSPCC

Meeting 2: Tuesday 28 January 2014

Topic: Time to do the RIGHT thing for children

There were three presentations identifying the reasons for the Children are Unbeatable campaign.

Andy James Assistant Director - Policy, Barnardos Cymru

Jan Pickles NSPCC Cymru

Chris Dodd Churches for Non Violence

#### List of Attendees:

Pat Dunmore Child Rights Policy Officer Save the Children

Andy James Assistant Director-Policy Barnardo's

Sara Reid Campaign Coordinator Children are Unbeatable/S'Dim Curo Plant

Peter Newell Coordinator Children are Unbeatable England
Viv Laing Policy & Public Affairs Manager NSPCC

Hellen Taylor Children's Services Manager Barnardos

Sharon Lovell Director NYAS

Ann Bell Development Manager Wales Adoption UK
Catriona Williams Chief Executive Children in Wales

Eleri Griffiths Children Are Unbeatable

Robin Moulster Manager BASW Cymru
Elsbeth Webb Reader in Child Health Cardiff University

Nick Morris Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health

Siobhan Corria Councillor Cardiff City Council
Jan Pickles Service Head - Developed Nations NSPCC Cymru

Chris Dodd Churches Network for Non-Violence

Liz Jones Family Support Development Officer Children in Wales

Representative Welsh Women's Aid

Meeting 3: Wednesday 12 February 2014

**Topic:** Impact of Welfare Reform in Wales.

There were two presentations identifying the key issues and concerns in Wales:

Fran Targett, Director of Citizens Advice Cymru will talk about the issues that are being raised by the public in Wales.

Dr Liz Jones, Development officer, Children in Wales outlined her findings from research with Welsh MPs and AMs on the issues raised by families in Wales, in the light of the Welsh Government report; Analysing the impact of the UK Government's Welfare Reforms in Wales.

#### List of Attendees:

Lynne Hill, Policy Director, Children in Wales Dr Elizabeth (Liz) Jones, Development Officer, Children in Wales Fran Targett, Director, Citizen's Advice Cymru Julie Morgan AM Sian Mile AMSS

Meeting 4: Wednesday 24 September 2014

Topic: A private matter? Children, human rights and domestic abuse

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There was a presentation by Dr Jocelynne Scutt, a feminist lawyer and one of Australia's leading human rights barristers. She served as the first Anti-Discrimination Commissioner of Tasmania and as a judge in the High Court of Fiji. She is a member of the UN Committee against Trafficking, a board member of the International Alliance of Women and its representative for the International Criminal Court.

#### Attendees:

Julie Morgan AC/AM

Sian Mile Senior Research Officer, Welsh Assembly

Jocelyne Davies AM Aled Roberts AC/AM Lindsay Whittle AM / AC Christine Chapman AC/ AM

Hon Dr Jocelynne Scutt Barrister & Human Rights Lawyer Visiting Fellow, Lucy Cavendish College, University of

Cambridge

Delyth Byrne Senior Practitioner – Tros Gynnal

Robin Moulster Country Manager BASW Cymru
Eleri Griffiths Children Are Unbeatable
Sara Reid Children Are Unbeatable

Andy James Chair Children are Unbeatable Cymru

Tina Reece Public Affairs Manager Welsh Women's Aid

Peter Newell End Corporal Punishment of Children

Viv Laing NSPCC

Pat Dunmore Freelance trainer and researcher, Pat Dunmore Consultancy

Alaw Griffiths Sixth Form School Pupil Disgybl chweched dosbarth
Maegan Davies-John Sixth Form School Pupil Disgybl chweched dosbarth

Claire Sharp Children in Wales

Cliff DePass People Advisor Cymru People Team

Paul Apreda National Manager / Rheolwr Cenedlaethol, FNF Both Parents Matter Cymru

Sara Jones Student Cardiff Women's Aid, Safe AS children

Rhian Croake Save the Children

Diane Daniels Chair Tros Gynnal Plant, Vice Chair Children in Wales

Jane Harries Institute of Peace/Quakers

Emeritus Professor Jo Sibert OBE

Jonathan Evans Cardiff Councillor and member of Academics for Equal Protection

David Miller NSPCC

Colin Palfrey AMSS (Lindsay Whittle)

# Professional lobbyists, voluntary organisations and charities with whom the Group has met during the preceding year:

#### **Children in Wales**

25 Windsor Place Cardiff CF10 3BZ

#### Children Are Uneatable Cymru! Alliance

#### Barnardo's

Trident Court E Moors Rd Cardiff CF24 5TD

#### **NSPCC**

Diane Englehardt House Treglown Court Dowlais Road Cardiff CF24 5LQ

#### Citizen's Advice Cymru

Quebec house Castlebridge 5-19 Cowbridge Road East Cardiff

#### Women's Aid

Pendragon House, Caxton Place, Pentwyn, Cardiff, CF23 8XE

#### Royal College of Paediatricians and Child Health

Baltic House Mount Stuart Square Cardiff CF10 5FH

#### **Homestart Wales**

c/o The Home-Start Centre 8 - 10 West Walk Leicester LE1 7NA

#### **Children's Commissioner for Wales**

Oystermouth House Phoenix Way Llansamlet Swansea SA7 9FS

#### **Action for Children**

St David's Court, 68a Cowbridge Road East, Cardiff CF11 9DN

#### Save the Children

8 Cathedral Road, Cardiff, South Glamorgan CF1 9LJ

### **Churches for Non Violence**

Enderley North Road Rickmansworth, Hertz WD3 5LE

**Tros Gynnal** 12 North Rd, Cardiff CF10 3DY

## **Annual Financial Statement.**

### September 2014

### **Cross Party Group on Children**

Julie Morgan AM (Chair)

Group's Expenses	None	£0.00
Costs of all goods.	No goods purchased	£0.00
Benefits received by the group or individual Members from outside bodies	No benefits received	£0.00
Any secretariat or other support.	No financial support received	£0.00
Services provided to the Group such as hospitality.		
All refreshments paid for by Children Are Unbeatable Cymru!		
Refreshments for Meeting 1  Tuesday 19 November 2013	Refreshments for CPG meeting ordered from Charlton House.	£293.76
Refreshments for Meeting 2  Tuesday January 28 2014	Refreshments for CPG meeting ordered from Charlton House.	£256.44
Refreshments for Meeting 4 Wednesday 24 September 2014	Refreshments for CPG meeting ordered from Charlton House.	£245.64