



## Make It Happen Group

### Report about the Valuing People Guidance for Partnership Boards

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There are 10 things we need to do to make the Valuing People Guidance happen in Brighton & Hove. We would like to make these changes a bit at a time between now and our November meeting.



- 4 things are about how the Partnership Board does its job.

Who?



- 6 things are about the membership of the Partnership Board.

Partnership Boards have two very important jobs:



1. **Check** - are all services helping people and keeping people safe?
2. **Change** - Make sure Valuing People Now happens for everyone in the city
  - some big changes need all the Partnership Board to work together
  - Those big changes are what the Partnership Board should be working on



1. Make a list of what things we keep a check on
  - What do we check?
  - How do we check it?



2. Have a "performance report" at every meeting to help us check the things on our list



3. Focus on 3 'big questions' each year
  - These are things that need all of us to work on them together
  - Other things are still done by the sub groups



4. Big Meeting & Carers groups talk about the 'big questions' too
  - Stop having all those different updates at the beginning of Partnership Board meetings
  - If things come up that are not the 'big question' the sub groups work on them

## Membership of the Partnership Board

Who?



- ◆ Valuing People gave us a list
- ◆ half should be people with learning disabilities or family carers
- ◆ all members are equal and all are accountable for the work of the Board
- ◆ working in partnership to make a real difference to lots of people's lives



1. Some people not on Valuing People list come to meetings as 'Expert Advisors'.
  - Sub group chairs; Care Management Team & Integrated Learning Disability Services - They come to meetings but do not vote.



2. One rep from Learning Disability Providers' forum
3. One rep from Community & Voluntary Sector forum



4. Invite two new members from Valuing People list:
  - PCT Non-Executive Director
  - Job Centre Plus



5. Also invite someone who can represent Adult Learning to be a member of the Partnership Board



6. Job Descriptions for members.
  - members to attend, or send a rep every meeting
  - members to mentor less experienced members
  - members be responsible for their role on the Partnership Board