

Brighton and Hove Learning Disability Partnership Board

Minutes of Meeting 19th July 2010



Present:

Matthew Hellett Co-Chair
Diana Bernhardt..... Lead Commissioner for Learning Disabilities (Co-Chair for the meeting)
Sarah Pickard Link Group Support
Ingrid Ashberry Link Group Support
Joan Hicks Carers Link Group
Ian Metherell.....Link Group
Sarah Watson.....Link Group
Hannah Childs.....Link Group
Claire Peligry.....Carers Link Group
Jon Horseman.....Carers Link Group
Juliette Teague Carers Link Group
Tess Barneveld Carers Link Group
Maria Borrer Link Group
Martin Billings.....Link Group
Chris Lau..... Carers Centre
Karen Kingsland..... Learning Disability Partnership Board Development Worker
Maureen Pasmore..... Work & Skills Sub Group Chair
Graham Lee Interact
Mark Hendriks A Place to Live Sub Group Chair
Tim Wilson Workforce Development Sub Group Chair
Jenny Brickell Transitions Forum Chair
Lucy Westcott Total Communication Group
Natalie Winterton On Behalf of Healthy Lives sub group
Adrian Caines On Behalf Of Gerard Martin
Linda Jordan Getting a Life Project





Sorry Couldn't Make It:

Cllr Steve Harmer StrangeCo Chair
Dee Simson Deputy Co Chair
Kay Holden LD Provider Forum representative
Cath Scott Healthy Lives Sub group Chair
Denise D'Souza Acting Director of Adult Social Care and Health
Eva Jarvis Taking Part in the City Sub Group Chair and Person Centred Approaches Sub Group Co-chair
Naomi Cox..... Manager Integrated Learning Disability Services and Person Centred Approaches Sub Group Co Chair
Geraldine Hoban..... Primary Care Trust Deputy Director of Commissioning
Andy Staniford Housing Strategy Manager
Betty Vincent.....Link Group
Margaret Forbes.....Link Group

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Members of the Public – 6







Minute Taker: Sarah Crowe – PA to Diana Bernhardt

<p>1. Introductions apologies and previous minutes.</p>	
	<p>At this meeting:</p> <p>Diana told us that Dee is unable to attend the meeting today due to an urgent meeting that she needs to go to. Diana will co chair with Matthew today.</p> <p>This is the last meeting for Matthew as co chair however he will still be part of the link group. This is also Ian's last meeting.</p> <p>Diana thanked them both for the work they had done as part of the board.</p> <p>It has been decided that Cllr Steve Harmer Strange will be the co chair from now on. He is unable to attend be at the meeting today.</p>
	<p>At our last meeting:</p> <p>Minutes agreed.</p> <p>Karen said that at the last meeting she would send out to the partnership board the 'how well we are doing' report. The link group want to make some changes and when these are done the report will be sent out.</p> <p>Action: Karen will send this round once updated.</p> <p>Karen asked for people to let her know if they are happy with the room. Karen will make sure the room is set up the same if people are happy with this.</p>
<p>2. Chairs News</p>	
	<p>Matthew told us that after today's meeting everyone who is interested in possibly being the new co-chair for the Partnership Board can stay and have lunch and talk about what it means to be a co-chair. The new co-chair will be chosen at the Big Meeting on 26th July.</p>






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  	<p>Diana told us that we will have an information session for carers in September, Karen & Sarah are arranging the date.</p> <p>We will also have an extra half-day event for the Partnership Board and the public in early October to talk about the Big Health Check. That is the big check we do to find out about people with learning disabilities. We will also be finding out more about what people learning disabilities need.</p> <p>Matthew said that at our last meeting there was an inspector from the Care Quality Commission. We do not have the inspection report yet. We will send the report to everyone when it arrives.</p>
<h3>3. Budget and Report Update</h3>	
 	<p>Diana gave an update on the budget and also some information about how well Brighton and Hove is doing compared to other councils in the south east.</p> <p>28% of people with learning disabilities live with family and friends. Average in the South East is 26%.</p> <p>32% of people live in care homes, compared to 42% in the south east. Other people live in a flat or with family.</p> <p>Action: Diana to provide more detail on where people live.</p> <p>In Brighton the amount spent is about £41,000 per person compared to £39,000 in the south east.</p> <p>About 60% of our budget is spent on care homes which is the second highest in the south east.</p> <p>We plan to spend £33 million on learning disability services and this includes a plan to save £1.4 million to meet the need of new people each year. We do not know how much we will have next year but we know that the government has less money to spend. Diana said that at the meeting today we will talk about peoples ideas to save money and to find out what ideas people think are most important.</p>

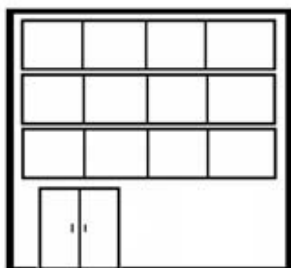
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	<p>People asked about the Learning Disability Development Fund. Diana said we do not know if this money will be available next year. Learning Disability Development Fund money will be used to continue projects but at the moment we are not starting any new projects.</p>
<p>4. Employment Plan</p>	
 	<p>Maureen bought everyone up to date on the employment plan which now has 31 actions. The plan is currently in draft form and will be sent to the LDPB. Action Karen/Sarah to issue to the board for comment.</p> <p>A new group will be created for this work however the details have not been agreed so will come back to the board on this at another meeting.</p> <p>Maureen also spoke about changes to the council and changes of the supported employment team.</p> <p>The government is also changing benefits and the way they are given to people and for what reasons.</p>
<p>5. Link Group & Big Meeting Update</p>	
<p align="center">HOUSING</p> 	<p>The link group gave us some details of what they discussed at the Big Meeting in June. They spoke about what makes a place to live good. Some people were not happy about the people who they live with and also wanted more help to move onto to other places</p> <p>Mark said that there is a housing options officer called Natalya Garzon who can help, and information is on the Brighpart website.</p> <p>The next meeting will be focusing on housing.</p> <p>Action: Karen to send contact details of Natalya around to the board.</p> <p>At the Big Meeting they talked about cuts to Speakout services. Sarah Watson said that they were worried about this. There was also disappointment that the loud and clear group had stopped.</p>

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	<p>Sarah Watson said that they were worried that if there was less money for services this would mean that more people may have mental health problems.</p>
<p>6. Carer's Link Group Update</p>	
	<p>Joan told the board about the last listening lunch. Mark talked at this meeting about housing options. Some people thought that there should be more planning for the future for people and that they wanted more information and more housing choices.</p> <p>Diana said that Housing was one our priorities and that we would be talking about our housing plans at the next meeting.</p> <p>Jon asked a question about why some people may get a place in a council care home if they have been living out of Brighton.</p> <p>Action: Diana said she would find out why this had happened.</p>
<p>7. Discussion Groups</p>	
	<p>Everyone broke into smaller groups to talk about the two questions below:</p> <p>What ideas do the Partnership Board have to save money?</p> <p>What ideas do the Partnership Board think are most important?</p> <p>Action: Ideas were collected and will be feedback</p>
<p>8.Safeguarding Report</p>	
	<p>Adrian Caines spoke about the safeguarding report as Gerard Martin was unable to attend.</p> <p>The report is about 'alerts' and how many times people tell us about not being safe and what the reasons are. There were 284 alerts received in April 2009-2010 and they can be from people who have experienced harm or might do.</p> <p>There are more alerts this year than last year.</p>

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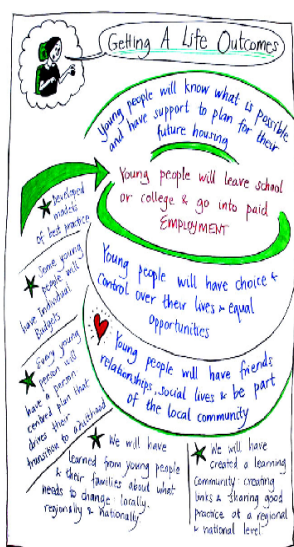
**Community Learning
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Maria asked how alerts are made and Adrian said that they can be made from anyone or anywhere.

Juliette asked about training for parents to look for abuse. Tim said that training is available for parents of adults and that we would find out about training for families with children with learning disabilities.

Action: Karen to provide details of training available for parents of adults with learning disabilities.

9. Showcase Getting a Life



Linda Jordan from the Valuing People Team, gave a presentation on the pathway to 'getting a life' projects which are happening in other areas.

She said what is important is to think about making a difference and by everyone working together better and planning ahead for young people when they get older.

<http://www.gettingalife.org.uk/>



FUTURE MEETING DATES FOR 2010/11 **All Banqueting Suite Hove Town Hall from 10-1 pm**

If everyone could arrive at 9.45 am and get a drink it will help the meeting start on time

20th September 2010

15th November 2010

17th January 2011