

Brighton and Hove Learning Disability Partnership Board
Minutes of Meeting 15th March 2010



Brighton & Hove
Learning Disability Partnership Board
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Present:

Cllr Mary Mears.....Co Chair
Cllr Dee Simson.....Deputy Co Chair
Matthew HellettCo-Chair
Diana Bernhardt.....Lead Commissioner for Learning Disabilities
Ingrid AshberryLink Group Support
Sarah PickardLink Group Support
Betty Vincent.....Link Group
Sarah WatsonLink Group
Margaret ForbesLink Group
Andy MeadowsLink Group
Ian Metherell.....Link Group
Emily BarrattSpeak Out
Nicola LytleCarer Link Group Support
Joan HicksCarers Link Group
Claire Peligry.....Carers Link Group
Juliette TeagueCarers Link Group
Sue WinterAmaze
Chris Lau.....Carers Centre
Eva JarvisTaking Part in the City Sub Group Chair and PCA Sub
Group Co-chair
Naomi CoxManager ILDS and PCA Sub Group Co-Chair
Maureen PasmoreWork & Skills Sub Group Chair
Cath ScottHealthy Lives Sub Group Chair
Karen Kingsland.....LDPB Development Worker
Sue GarnerHousing Strategy (for Andy Staniford)
Mark Hendriks.....A Place to Live Sub Group Chair
Tim Wilson.....Workforce Development Sub Group Chair






Sorry Couldn't Make It:

Graham LeeInteract
Martin Billings.....Link Group
Jenny Brickell.....Transitions Forum Rep & Children's Services
Heather HayesCarers Link Group
Andy StanifordHousing Department
Morag MurraySussex Partnership Foundation Trust

Members of the Public – 8

Minute Taker: Sandra Edwards – PA to Naomi Cox

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1. Introductions and apologies and previous minutes.	
<p>Introductions: there are a lot of new faces – Welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Juliette Teague, Carers Link Group supported by Amaze, is replacing Debbie Collins. • Emily Barratt, Speak Out, is replacing Liz Yeats. • Cllr Mary Mears will be our new Co-Chair, replacing Cllr Maria Caulfield. Cllr Dee Simson will be the deputy co-chair in case Cllr Mears is not able to attend a meeting. 	<p>Welcome</p> 
<p>Previous Minutes:</p> <p>Primary Care Trust & Carers' issues -</p> <p>Action taken forward: We will arrange a morning information session about carers' issues. We will invite Tamsin Peart and also someone from hospital to talk about their new carers' compact.</p> <p>Action taken forward: Ask Tamsin to write an update for the Partnership Board once the PCT short breaks budget is finalised in March.</p>	 
2. Chairs News	
<p>Dee Simpson told us:</p> <p>Some of our members have left recently:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Good-bye and thank you to Sheridan Lynch and Steve Hook. Cath Scott will chair the Healthy Lives group until Steve's replacement is in post. The Learning Disability Providers' Forum will elect a new rep to replace Sheridan. - Joy Hollister has left Brighton & Hove City Council. - This is Sandy's last Partnership Board meeting (a big thank you to Sandy). Sarah Crowe will be arranging meetings and taking minutes from now on. 	 <p>Goodbye</p> 

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Information sessions:

On 18th January we had an information session about Self-Directed Support

- About 20 people came. They played a game and asked questions and watched a DVD. They learnt about self-directed support
- If you could not come to the information session there is lots of information about self-directed support on the Person Centred Approaches web page.

Today's information session – Get a Job

- Lunch is provided
- At the last Partnership Board meeting we did small group work about the Work & Skills Plan. The Work & Skills Sub Group has taken our comments and will keep them in mind as they write an Employment Plan for the Partnership Board.
- **Action:** The Work & Skills group will bring the draft Employment Plan to the Partnership Board for us to approve

Future information sessions:

- On 27th April there is a Total Communication event (encourage everyone to attend). A flier has been emailed round.
- There will NOT be an information session after the May Partnership Board meeting

Autism Strategy:

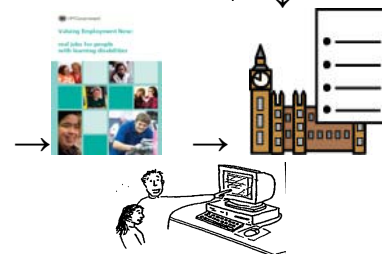
We are pleased that the national strategy for adults with autism in England has been published. It is called 'Fulfilling and Rewarding Lives'. Our commissioner is working with the commissioners in mental health services to make a local plan to go with this national strategy.



Decision making Support



plan for buying services



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Action – Diana to provide feedback about local autism plan at a future meeting.

CQC Inspection:

The Care Quality Commission (CQC) inspection will be taking place and the Inspectors will be visiting Learning Disability Services on 18th, 19th & 20th, 25th, 26th & 27th May. We hope to get a good score.

Diana told us:

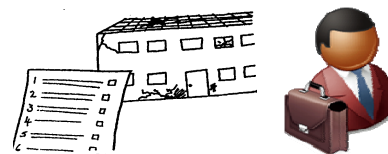
The Learning Disability Services are now managed under Adult Social Care & Health in the council.

Also thank you to Maria for her hard work with the Partnership Board.

Mary Mears suggested:

It would be better to have a bigger room and have the table set up so that the Chairs are at the end of the tables where they can see everyone.

Action: Mary to arrange bigger room for Partnership Board Meeting.



Bigger

3. Link Group Feedback

The Link Group had their big meeting and told us all about what they discussed. We watched the DVD of the Big Meeting.

They had talked about the changes for the Partnership Board and what they felt were the 3 Big Questions the Partnership Board should work on.

Work and jobs was very important but they need help to do work and with interviews. People said that they understand how this can affect benefits but some also do voluntary work and do not get paid. Some say they work part time but would still like to go to Day Centres.

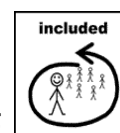
The other Big Questions were including everyone and also socialising, getting out to see people.



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WORK













EVERYONE



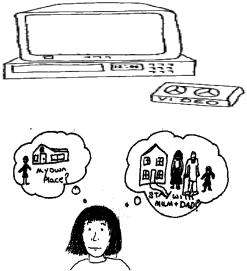


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<p>4. Carers Link Group Update</p>	
<p>The Carers told us about the Big Questions that they discussed at the Listening Lunch which were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A) Employment B) Safeguarding Services C) Housing – Residential/Sheltered D) Cross working & Communications – need for better communications between carers & professionals and between professionals. <p>A question was asked about Self Directed Support and the effects on services and transport for people – it was explained that people have choices. This shows that more information on Self Directed Support is needed for Carers.</p> <p>Action: Diana to provide more information for Carers on Self Directed Support</p>	 <p>WORK & EMPLOYMENT</p>  <p>Safeguarding Services</p>  <p>Housing</p>  <p>↔ professionals</p>  <p>plan for buying services</p>  <p>Self Directed Support</p>
<p>5. Annual Report</p>	 <p>Make It Happen</p>
<p>Karen had filled in and sent round the Annual Report that Valuing People require from every Partnership Board. There were 3 blanks in the one Karen had sent. Karen explained what would be going into those blank items.</p> <p>All voted in agreement of the Report.</p> <p>The Report was signed by Dee Simpson & Matthew Hellett as Co-Chairs, Sarah Watson on behalf of people with learning disabilities and Claire Peligry on behalf of</p>	 

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<p>Carers.</p> <p>“Report finalised, sent out and on the website” - Hooray and well done Karen and big thanks to Make it Happen Group and all others who contributed to this.</p>	
<p>6. PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR & SMALL GROUP TIME</p>	
<p>Diana told us about how we needed to decide what the Big Questions are for next year. She told us about how we need to take Valuing People Now forward and check plans. We also need to develop a performance report.</p> <p>Action: Diana to bring Draft Performance Report to next meeting to be approved.</p> <p>Diane asked us to spend some time working in Groups and to think about what we felt were the important Big Questions:</p> <p>The Outcome of what all the Groups felt was:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Work (to include meaningful occupations and training for jobs) 2) Housing 3) Socialising and going out and meeting people <p>*Safeguarding services/Communication/Including everyone are to be considered under all of these headings.</p> <p>All voted in agreement of this.</p>	
<p>7. Showcase – Choices Event</p>	
<p>We watched a DVD that was about the Choices Day event that took place last year – it was a brilliant day, which was organised by Mandy Voice and Jacqui Streeter and all the other Day Services Staff. It gave people an opportunity to see what things there are to do and to vote for their choice of activity that they would like to participate in.</p>	

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<p>There will be another Choices Day – keep your eyes peeled for the News Flashes that Karen sends out and don't forget the website news.</p>	
<p>Information Sessions & Dates for your diaries.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TODAY = Get A Job by the Work & Skills Sub Group • There will be an information session for carers one morning • There will NOT be an information session after the May Partnership Board meeting • Our Thumbs Up Campaign is starting and we will see the DVD at a Partnership Board meeting soon • 27th April – Total Communications event • End of September – Assistive Technology Showcase 	
<p align="center">FUTURE MEETING DATES Hove Town Hall – 10.00 am – 1 pm</p> <p>ALL MEETINGS ARE IN THE BANQUETING SUITE</p> <p>If everyone could arrive at 9.45 am and get a drink it will help the meeting start on time</p> <p>Dates – third Monday of every second month:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 17th May 2010 - 19th July 2010 - 20th September 2010 - 15th November 2010 - 17th January 2011 	