



A Place to Live

Minutes

Date: 9TH October 2009

Time: 10-12

Venue: Room 1, 2nd Floor Bartholomew House

Present: Mark Hendriks (chair), Aideen Jones, Steve Hook, Natalya Garzon, Daniel Parsonage, Sue Garner-Ford

Apologies: Stephen Wraige, Andy Staniford, Lou Aish

1. Welcome and Introductions

Daniel welcomed

2. Minutes and Matters Arising

- Booklet discussed. Final changes being made, to be printed in January
- Mark/Natalya/Daniel have completed a Learning Disabilities section of the Equalities Impact Assessment of Housing Options
- Mark has advertised the LDDF bid for an audio version of the booklet, and will advertise the Fair Access assessment of Homemove
- Mark told the group that a bid for £50, 000 to support PSA16 (a national target to increase numbers of people in employment and in their own home) had been shortlisted. He will be presenting the idea in January.

3. LD Access to Housing (LD Accommodation Pathway) – Daniel Parsonage

- Daniel talked through a new idea for supporting people with LD to access housing options. The full proposal was sent round.
- The idea is for Natalya, with support from commissioning and care management, to take on the role of finding accommodation for people who want to move. This is currently done by the care management team for all specialist LD accommodation. Expanding Natalya's role in

this way would save care manager's time and would offer a single route for access to housing.

- This will be developed and piloted in 2010.

4. Deregistration protocol

- Mark had sent round a protocol for deregistration. This is becoming a growing issue as more providers look to adapt to a reduced demand for residential care; but there are financial risks around Ordinary Residence issues and quality risks if the process is not managed.
- There were concerns that actively promoting deregistration will carry too high a financial risk. Deregistering care homes who provide services to people not funded by B&HCC could create new financial responsibilities under Ordinary Residence rules, and therefore this should be assessed service by service

5. Booklet Update

- Already discussed

6. Update from Partnership Board

- No major feedback – the last meeting had a successful Health Check session (NB minutes are now on www.brightpart.org)

7. Update from Making It Happen Group

- The group has been working through the Guidance for Partnership Boards with a view to remodel the board. (see attached report)

8. LDDF funding

- Still awaiting 2010 allocation
- The group agreed to contribute £500, at the Total Communication groups request, for a Photo Symbols communication pack

9. 2010 dates:
- 5th February
 - 16th April
 - 4th June
 - 30th July
 - 3rd September
 - 5th November

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