



Learning Disability Partnership Board Minutes

16th January 2024

County Hall Meeting Room/MS Teams



Who was at the meeting?

Co-Chairs:

Rachel Barrett

Frances Kelsey

What they do:

Expert Member, SpeakEasy NOW

Lead Commissioner, Worcestershire County Council

Expert Members:

Sam Sinderberry

What they do:

Expert Member, SpeakEasy NOW

Supported by:

Gail Greer

Adrian Hare

What they do:

SpeakEasy NOW

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Carer Reps:

Martin Boniface

Barbara Pugh

Chris Jordan

What they do:

Carer Rep

Carer Rep

Carer Rep

Supported by:

Cassie Judd/Kate Webb

What they do:

Worcestershire Association of Carers

Other Professionals:

Cat Bennett

Our Way

Zardia Shields

Midland Mencap

Adam Jones

Commissioning Manager, Worcestershire County Council

Aimee Davis

Commissioning Officer, Worcestershire County Council

Natalie Lackenby

Area Learning Disabilities Manager South, Worcestershire County Council

Jill Hughes

Group Manager, All Age Disability Service, Worcestershire Children First

Elaine Chape

Care Contribution Assessment Team, Worcestershire County Council

Richard Naylor

Service Manager for Learning Disabilities, Herefordshire & Worcestershire Health & Care Trust

**People who couldn't come to the meeting:****Name:**

Lucy Hancock

What they do:

Expert Member, SpeakEasy NOW

Morag Edmondson

SpeakEasy NOW

Alison Price

Carer Rep

Helen Reading	Carer Rep
Mel Smith	Worcestershire Association of Carers
Mathew Gilbert	Where Next Association
Simon Adams	Healthwatch
Daniel Rogers	Midland Mencap
Adrian Symonds	West Mercia Police Equality & Diversity Advisor
Kerry McCrossan	Assistant Director, Adult Social Care, Worcestershire County Council
Laura Westwood	Lead Commissioner, Worcestershire County Council
Rachael Skinner	Deputy Chief Nursing Officer, NHS Herefordshire & Worcestershire Integrated Care Board
Richard Keble	Programme Director for Mental Health, Learning Disability & Autism, NHS Herefordshire & Worcestershire Integrated Care Board
Jack Caine	Senior Programme Lead
Caroline Kirby	Transforming Care Lead, NHS Herefordshire & Worcestershire Integrated Care Board
Martin Gallagher	Healthwatch
Francesca Darby	Head of Learning Disability Services, Worcestershire County Council



Welcome, Introductions and Rules of the Meeting

Rachel welcomed everybody and introductions were made.

Kate Webb informed the Board that unfortunately due to other commitments Sandra Rohan-Kickham will be stepping down from

her role as Carer Rep for the Partnership Board. Fran and Board Members thanked Sandra for all her hard work and input into the Board over the years, particularly into the LD Strategy. Sandra was a valued member of the Board and will be missed at meetings.



Minutes & Actions from the last meeting

Item:



Outstanding Actions:

- Fran to meet with Cat and Caroline to talk about Safe Places Scheme
- Andy to send the easy read information to SpeakEasy N.O.W. Health Checkers.
- Fran to meet Bridget Brickley to talk about the Charter that is being developed. Ref 1.9 of Year One Action Plan



Item:

Expert Members Report

Report:

(Appendix 1)

Sam read through the Expert Members Report.



Comments/Questions:

Sam talked about all the work Expert Members have been doing since the last meeting and how they enjoyed having a break for Christmas and enjoying some festive fun before breaking up.

Sam told the group that there have been new rules put in place for when meetings are going ahead and these new rules are so far working well at meetings.



Actions:

- Aimee to send round the Expert Members Report with the Minutes.



People's Parliament Relationship ideas

The next People's Parliament is going to be about relationships.

The topic relationships has been chosen because of how big an impact relationships can have on people's life. Relationships can be a husband and/or wife, friendship, family members, neighbours or professional.

The group are asking for ideas of what could be discussed at the next People's Parliament.

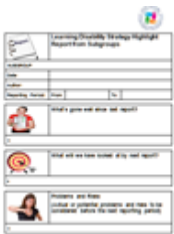
Martin said a good discussion would be to map circles of support, not just support workers but the wider circle.

Another idea would be to have the "bank account" discussion. This is where people would list those people

making payments into the account i.e. making you feel good, helping you, being kind and supportive. Then identify those people who are making debits on the bank account, i.e. who are the people not making you feel good or helping you.

Gail said one area to look at will be how do you manage conflict and restore relationships if there has been a fall out.

The group said a big area to look at is how do you manage social media relationships?



Highlight Reports

Item:

Report:



Right Support for Carers

(Appendix 4)

Martin read out the Highlight Report to the Board.

Recruitment for carers is still proving very challenging.

The first Be Heard Meeting will be taking place on 20th February.

Hospital discharges is still a big issue and carers have been asked to review a document that is being used by the NHS.

Members from the Right Support for Carers recorded their thanks to Sandra Rohan-Kickham for all the hard work and input she has had to the group.



Staying Healthy

This group has not met for a few months. Work is underway to look at where this group fits within the ICB Health Programme.



Worcestershire County Council Budget

Fran told the Board about the budget problems that the Council are having.

Fran went through a presentation that she had prepared and Aimee will circulate this round to the Board.

Martin asked about the Home to School transport - is that the taxi owners effectively passing on increased costs or are they exploiting the fact that we have no choice but to use private companies?

Fran said it is a bit of both, Fran said the cost of fuel and other inflationary costs are a problem, but we do know that it is a private market and they are making profits and we sometimes have no choice but to use that market.

WCC are looking at whether they can get more control over the private market. WCC do have their own fleet, and

the team are looking at increasing the in-house provision as it might be better value for money.

Fran said at the next meeting she will bring a further update to the group.



Actions:

- Aimee to send round the Budget presentation to the Board.



Having a Place to Live Sub-Group

Sam read out a report to the Group with an update on the work the Having a Place to Live Sub-Group have been doing.

Sam told the Board that he has been out on visits and spoke to residents to find out what they like and don't like about living where they do. Some people said they would prefer to have better support than they have currently got. Overall, most people were happy with where they live. There were some people who were unhappy with their move.



Any Other Business

Fran shared the agenda with the Board for the first Herefordshire and Worcestershire joint LD Partnership Board. This is due to take place on 6th February and all are welcome.

Fran and Barbara updated the Board about the event that will be taking place in LD Week at Trinity Church. Barbara and Fran have met Nick who is the Chaplain at Trinity Methodist Church in Kidderminster, he was really helpful and keen to get involved. Nick is very supportive of it being an ecumenical service so that it is a community space to come together and raise the profile of LD in the community.

The event will be held on the last Sunday in June, 30th in the afternoon.

We are going to raise the profile of the Strategy and get some publicity, hopefully Worcester News.

Barbara to confirm the 30th June date with Nick.

A Task and Finish Group will be set up for the Event.

Barbara told the group about a surgery in Kidderminster, Aylmer Lodge, who are holding a clinic for people with LD who use that practice every Friday until March.

Martin said that going back through previous minutes, there is always a long list of people who couldn't attend. and was just wondering whether anything should be done

to refresh the list of attendees. Aimee and Fran said that the list is regularly reviewed, but they will do another check that it is up to date.



Action:

- Barbara to confirm the 30th June date with Nick.
- Aimee to set up a Task and Finish Group to organise the event.



Review and Confirmation of Actions

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Date of Next Meeting

Date:

Details:



Tuesday 19th March 2024

11.00 am – 1.00 pm

Via Hybrid/MS Teams

The Meeting Room can only accommodate 20 people, please notify Fran if you want to attend “in person” nearer the time of the meeting using the LDPB email address:

LDPB@worcestershire.gov.uk



Appendices

Appendix 1 – Expert Members Reports

Appendix 2 – Right Support for Carers Highlight Report

Appendix 3 – Budget report

Appendix 4 –

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