

Minutes of the Learning Disability Partnership Board Tuesday 16th June 2020, 1.30pm – 3.00pm

Present:

Joanna Tubb (Chair)
Justin Hackney
Sheridan Dodsworth
John Waters
Terry Holt
David Sheardown
Karen Slack
David Bean
Marie O'Sullivan
Kerry Gibson
Patryk Kosmala



1. Introductions and Welcomes:

Joanna welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies from John Gurney and Louise Olley.

2. Matters Arising and Actions from last meeting:

Meeting required between VoiceAbility and David Culy to look into involvement in LSAB.
Action: Kerry to contact David and arrange this → to be completed.

Sunflower lanyard – it was discussed that information about the lanyard needs to be more visible on the LCC website. **Action: Patryk to liaise with Julie Green on Thursday 18th June and feed back to the Board at the next meeting.** Joanna commented that she has seen this more already on LCC website. **Patryk sent more information and picture of the lanyard.**

Joanna talked about the sad news of Wendy Adams passing away in April. She said that Wendy was a big part of LD services for years and that she will be sadly missed. Justin echoed this and said that Wendy was a brilliant character. John informed everyone that he will be involved in next year's ICE Event



and that Wendy's memory will be celebrated throughout that event. Patryk explained that he has also worked closely with Wendy and her family in the past and asked John to be involved in ICE next year.

Facebook page and brochures:

Action: Patryk to liaise with Communications Team and with Kerry to ensure this is explored → to be completed.

Patryk explained that this has been difficult due to COVID19 and Kerry said that in the meantime, the team managed to set up a Service User Involvement Lincolnshire Facebook page. Patryk and Kerry agreed to pick this up separately. John explained that there has been a lot of effort to set up Facebook pages for the day services. He said that it would be good to link them up – Kerry fed back she has done this and shared the experience with the day services.



3. Updates from Learning Disability Partnership: what have we been doing during lockdown? How it affected us?

LDP members fed back that they got really good at meeting through Microsoft Teams and Zoom during the lockdown. They also fed back that they have been involved in work on LCC Easy-Read Safeguarding Strategy, led by Hazel Noble from the Service Development Team.

Sheridan mentioned that existing research suggests that online meetings were exhausting. David B and David S agreed that they were OK as long as the meetings were less than one hour long. Karen shared that she felt it took a lot more effort to stay focused during meetings online.

Staying Safe Group: everyone agreed that it was very important to keep doing hate crime awareness and keep reminding people to go to hospital if needed. The Group are also doing 'how to keep safe online' training package with Just Lincolnshire.



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Healthy Lifestyles Group: the Group are looking at creating short videos about staying healthy – John expressed a wish to get involved with this – and continue with talking books.

Another two meetings have been planned for the Groups and they will be online too.

Voices For All: invites have sent to everyone for the next meeting on 7th July, which will be held on Zoom. The meeting will be called 'Lockdown: ups and downs'. Marie explained that Just Lincolnshire had a new part of their work – to look at results of COVID19 on disadvantaged communities in Lincolnshire.

David B and David S have both said that they were getting used to the online meetings. They expressed a concern that these may present an issue for people who have no IT equipment.

John informed everyone that findings from a national survey on the impact of lockdown should be available soon and he said that he would share this with the LDP.

Action: John to share the survey's findings with the LDP when they are ready.

LDP Presentation: Marie presented a short slideshow with people's photographs of what we have all been doing during lockdown. Everyone agreed that it was important to remember that positive things have happened as well.

A video thanking NHS nurses has also been shared with everyone. You can find it here: <https://youtu.be/hWQCvQUsc9M>

It was acknowledged in the meeting that VoiceAbility staff have supported Self-Advocates really well, especially with helping them set up their IT so that they could stay in touch with others. **Thank you!**



been very positive and plans were on the right track. The lockdown slowed the process, but it will still happen. The services were on-going until they were unable to continue any longer. Services had to be prioritised, with central critical support still in place at people's homes and in some of LCC's buildings. At least a weekly conversation with people who use our services, families and LCC staff. This has been working well and was a good decision. It allowed LCC to target additional support when people were struggling. Moving forward, a recovery plan is being drafted. Looking at new ways of working, rebuilding the service through meaningful conversations with people and their families. John said that he was conscious that people have been with no support for some time and this will be addressed in the plans.



6. AOB:

1. David B: protests – David said that he was worried about a second wave of COVID19 and whether these protests affect this. Joanna confirmed that this is a worry for a lot of people due to the loss of social distancing.
2. Sheridan: focus with special schools recently. Most of them were open every day during lockdown and now more people are going back, they have up to 50% pupils back. Sheridan thanked Marie for sending information around wearing masks and exemptions. She said that schools and transport providers have been great and worked really hard.
3. Terry – transforming care. Have NHS England adjusted their figures and expectations to take COVID19 into account? Joanna explained that she felt this was very number driven and it did not feel like they did take this into account. Joanna explained that we do what we can and we always try to do right by the person.

	<p>4. Marie: SUI contract has been extended for another year. No confirmation of what is expected – Patryk to take this to Marie Kaempfe-Rice.</p> <p>5. John: LD week this week with a theme of friendship. David S has done a flag for LPFT. VoiceAbility did a coffee morning.</p> <p>6. Joanna informed everyone that LCC will be working from home for another 6 months at least. However, Adult Care presence in the community is growing.</p>
	<p>7. Next Meeting:</p> <p>Monday 14th September 2020, 10am – 12pm, via Microsoft Teams</p>