

Minutes of the Learning Disability Partnership Board

Monday 15th March 2021

Present: Joanna Tubb, Justin Hackney, Marie O'Sullivan, Kerry Gibson, Vicky Thompson, Sheridan Dodsworth, Michelle Ornstien, Terry Holt, John Guerny, John Waters, Patryk Kosmala.

Apologies: Louise Olley, Richard Eccles.



John G commented that the previous minutes had wrong date and he was not on the attendance list.
Now amended.

Transforming Care update

Richard Eccles is on annual leave.
John W shared a link transforming care agenda.



<https://www.centreforwelfarereform.org/uploads/attachment/596/a-new-way-home.pdf>

Justin would like advocacy representation at the Transforming Care Programme Group.

Action: Justin to Contact Marie to arrange.



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Update from the Learning Disability Partnership:

Michelle introduced herself and spoke about her involvement with Mencap's Treat me well campaign.

Justin asked her expertise around annual health checks to go to groups.

Marie and Michelle gave the learning disability partnership presentation: David was unable to join the meeting today due to IT issues.

Please see PDF attached.



Treat Me Well Campaign

Challenge Twenty21: joint promotion with Active Lincolnshire and LCC

Effects of COVID-19 what support people will need as we come out of lockdown

Communications Facebook Group LDP: set up and running



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Justin said how it had been a difficult and challenging year. That the board has found positive, different ways of working and engaging with more people. LDP group have done excellent job with communications and creating easy read documents.

Jo commented how it was always good to reach new people.



Terms of Reference

These have been updated by Patryk and sent to Marie and Kerry.

Action. Meeting arranged to go through with self-advocates.



Justin does not want to lose coproducing plans. He feels it is important for LCC to work together with the service users on all plans. Justin asked to increase the number of self-advocates attending board meeting.

Action: Agreed to send 4 invites with 2 self-advocates attending as minimum.



Justin feels good outcomes come from more self-advocates attending the board meetings.

LDP Action Plan

Patryk went through previous LDP working plan.

John Gurney feels adding an additional column re outcomes would be beneficial. He felt the dates on the plan were long and do not get signed off effectively without this.



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LDP priority areas

Justin mentioned priorities for Adult Care Social Care for next year:



- **Employment and volunteering**
- **Day services recovery work**
- **Keeping healthy with a push towards health checks**
- **Transforming Care**
- **Strengthen links with the LDPB**



It was agreed that the Working Groups should discuss the ideas for priorities. They may be priorities for the next 18 months or 2 years.



Action; Thoughts on priorities for LD plan to be feedback by the end of April.

Difficulties around accessing IT for some individuals to join meetings independently was discussed.



Terry commented on digital exclusion and getting people to engage may need more resources.

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Vicky Thomson spoke about Lincs digital having schemes giving out IT equipment.



Carers first are also working on giving people IT kits through the Lincolnshire Community foundation.



John Waters has put a bid in for IT kits and internet access to a Digital Lifeline grant through the Good Foundation.

LD Register



Jo has done cross referencing doctors register for LD with LCC register and found many not on the LCC register. She feels these people are more vulnerable if they are not known to LCC.



Jo said that referrals for more people with LD not known to LCC have increased during the pandemic. The usual routes to get support were in place. Jo commented that Social Care input/support is available and fluctuates with individual needs.



A time limited package of support can be offered.

John W mentioned the Maximising Independence Team. They can offer short term time limited support.

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Justin spoke about **recovery out of lockdown**. LCC developing emergency plans and working towards the timeline from the PM. Recovery plans for day services are in place, safeguarding services operate as normal and face to face assessments are taking place with PPE.



John Waters spoke about accessing day services and how to move back to face to face being normal not the exception. Partnership to help communicate recovery process, offer reassurance that it is safe to re-join activities. Encourage regular discussions going forward LDP with LCC.



Transport is a big issue for day services; this may prevent them from accessing opportunities around their local communities. John W looking at more flexible specific transport. Concerns also rose around staffing levels in some areas.



Justin would like an Action Plan to incorporate local communities.



New Vision: More partnership working local communities' volunteers travel buddies; creative working.



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Sheridan NDTI have identified from the prepare for adult team, number of young adults who leave residential schools lose their independence skills in transition. Jo asked for a better understanding of why these skills were being lost. A work agenda focus suggested so we know what is out there.



Justin asked how we maximise independence.



Next meeting June 14th