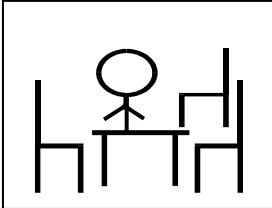




Leicestershire Learning Disabilities Partnership Board Meeting On 6th May 2010

Minutes – What people said at the meeting

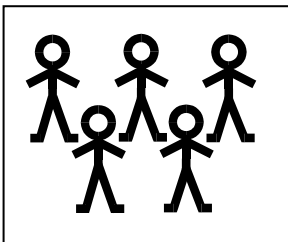
Apologies – Who couldn't come to the meeting



Alison Doggett
John Goree
Michelle Churchard Smith
Phillip Pearson

Richard Wilson

Present – The people who were at the meeting



Alison Little	Adult Learning Service
Alistair Fleming	Self Advocate from Harborough
Alix Glazier	Self Advocate from Charnwood
Allyson Hunter	Glebe House
Brian Loader	Parent
Dave Houseman	Leicestershire County Council
Dawn Shepherd	Self Advocate from Hinckley
Elaine Smith	Glebe House
Gerry Short	Homefield College
Helen Illsley	Co Chair
Jane Parr	Leicestershire Partnership Trust
Jane Southwick	Self Advocate for Oadby and Wigston
Jo Peake	Glebe House
Jules Gailbraith	Leicestershire Partnership Trust
Keeley Smith	Valuing People Team
Kylie Jarvis	Vice Chair and Self Advocate for Harborough
Lyn Bedford	Parent
Paula Stimson	Self Advocate from Melton
Phil Linggood	Parent/Carer
Phillip Sear	Self Advocate for North West
Ros Jarvis	Parent
Sue Brookes	Mencap
Sue Disley	Adult and Communities
Surinder Peberdy	Planning and Commissioning
Terry Bedford	Parent/Carer
Tracey Burton	Adult and Communities
Tony Howlett	Adult and Communities
Vanessa Griffiths	Primary Care Trust

Visitors.

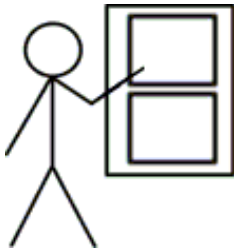


Linsey Vincent
Saeed Seedat
Simon Dalby
Tine Juhlert

Jeanne Lamb
Jane Bromley

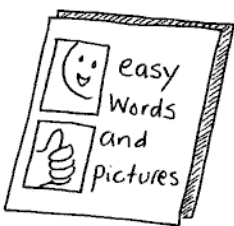


1. Introductions - Everyone said their name and if they could choose anyone to run the Country then who would it be?

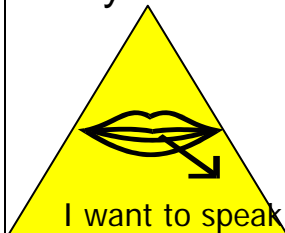


2. Ground Rules – Sue told everyone about the ground rules for the meeting.

3. Communication – Making things easy to understand at the meeting.



Dawn told the Board how and why we use the red and yellow communication cards.



- The yellow card is to let the Chair know you want to speak



- The red card is used if you do not understand - if someone uses jargon, or big words. Or if someone speaks too quickly.



Miranda and Simon were the Word Police at the meeting.



It is the '**Word Police's**' job to watch out for any difficult words or sentences and make sure people use the cards.



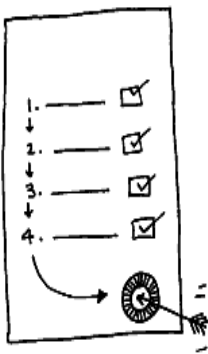
4. Matters Arising.

- **Commissioning Review**



At the last meeting the Board talked about the review and the Valuing People Team being part of this. The review has now been done and they have decided not to change the Valuing People Team at this time. The review is still going on and they will have to makes lots of changes. There will be more work and less people to do it.

5. Terms of Reference



The Board broke into 3 groups. Alison put together 8 questions for the groups to work on. Each group is to decide the answer for each question. Also the groups can look at what was written up from the last meeting. Alison said there is a member of the Valuing People Team in each group to help facilitate and keep to time. All the information will be collected and written up and then added into the final terms of reference and brought to the next Board meeting.

6. Health Homes



Lynsey Vincent the Project Manager for Health Homes showed the Board a presentation about the money to pay the costs of moving people from Health Homes into Supporting Living. The presentation will show what they will spend the money on in 2010 -11.



The County will spend the money on Person Centred Planning, Care Management, Project Management, Health Action Planning, Support and Advocacy and Housing Provision.

They will spend £23, 673 on Person Centred Planning, £242,619 on Care Management, £260,930 on Project Management, £16,546 on Health Action Planning and Health Assessments, £81,560 on Support and Advocacy and £111, 862 on Housing Provision.



Lynsey asked the Board what they think about how we will spend the money and do the Board have any questions?



Brian asked about the grant for 1 million pounds that is split between City and County and what this money will be spent on.

Lynsey said that the capital money is to buy buildings and make sure they are safe. The revenue money is to employ people to make sure the job is done properly and people's needs are met.



Terry said there seems to be a small amount being spent on Person Centred Planning, why is this? Lynsey said they have looked at all the different people and their roles. All roles need to work in a person centred way in all the work that they do. So this work is already being covered by everyone.



Phil said that he is worried that the money will not be there with the cuts they are making?

Lynsey said the money from the Health Homes is from the Government. This will not be affected as the Government have already put this money to one side and we have been told what we have to spend it on.



Jane S asked if the right people have been involved in the project.

Lynsey said that they have got advocates that are working with residents and the Doctors, Nurses, Staff in the Health Homes and Social Workers are involved.



Kylie asked how many people with high support needs are involved.

Lynsey said that all the people that are in a Health Home have high support needs and they all need one to one support, sometimes two to one support.



Dave said it was a good presentation. Also that in the presentation it says the target is to have nobody living in a Health Home by 2010. Are you behind on this target?

Lynsey said that everyone will be moved from a Health Home into Supported Living by the end of December 2010. It is all on track at the moment and everyone has got a placement and plans have been made.



Terry said that some of the pie charts in the presentation are not correct and need updating. Lynsey said she will go back and make sure this is done properly and send this out again to everyone.

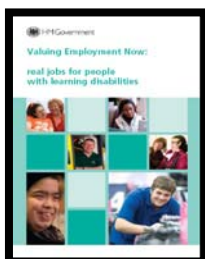
7. Employment Plan



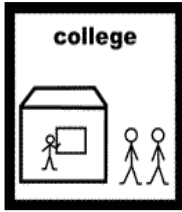
Saeed Seedat showed the Board a presentation about a plan to help people with learning disabilities to get paid jobs in Leicestershire. The plan says that there are still not enough people with learning disabilities that have paid jobs, especially full time paid jobs. Many people are still volunteers, are in training and are in job with support and things still have to change.



The plan says that people should work and working more than 16 hours per week is better than not working at all. People should be helped to have their own business and be their own boss too.



With the plan the Government have given 4 million pounds to Councils to help people with learning disabilities to get support to have a job. They have so far been good at getting staff to support people but have not been too good at moving people forward towards independent working.



The Government have said that all Council's have to do some important things to help more people get jobs. They want them to talk to everyone, work with other organisations, and help people to think about jobs before they leave school, college and education. Person Centred Planning and Personal Budgets should be used to help people get jobs and there should be good quality job coaching available. Council's should help people to understand getting benefits and that it is better to work.



Unfortunately there was not enough time for any questions. If anyone has any questions then to speak to Saeed in the break. Saeed will be holding a consultation event about the plan on the 19th May 2010.

8. Commissioning Review



Mick Connell the Director of Adult and Communities came and talked to the Board about the review. Mick told the Board that he has been involved in Social Care for many years and has always been a big fan of Partnership Boards. Leicestershire has a very good reputation and have given out strong messages to partners to get involved and make changes. He said he is also a member of the Regional Partnership Board along with Councillor David Sprason.

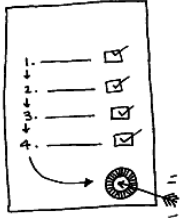


The Valuing People Team is approaching a challenging future with Valuing People Now giving new priorities and also with the changes in the public service that are coming up. It will be even harder with the state of the economy and it being likely that there will be less money in coming years. Leicestershire are in a strong position though and I am confident we can meet the challenges ahead and make improvements.



Paula asked, will you agree that your Managers will come to talk to us when they start making important plans?

Mick said yes he will do that and make sure the Board are represented well and keep them in conversation all the time. He promises he will make sure the views of the Board are made known at all times.



Kylie asked if it was ok to come and work with you. Mick said yes he is happy to come and work with you. He will work with Dave to see what is happening and to make sure the Board achieves its goals and objectives.



Paula asked how we can report to you so you know what we are doing.

Mick said it is important I do hear what is going on in the Board. I do receive and read the minutes and I will pick up any issues that I think need to be raised at the Regional Partnership Board. I fully understand your priorities and support those. I am also happy to have a personal discussion on any important issues that come up.



Phil asked what the changes that could happen are.

Mick said there are lots of changes coming through and we need to change the way that we provide services. We are trying to give money more direct to people. This is called Personalisation and this will lead to big changes to how we organise staff and systems. We need to find the best ways to make a good impact. These changes will be made to make savings and will not just affect all public services. Mick said that they have to make some very hard decisions to decide how to spend the money that they have and this will affect everyone. They will deal with this by working more closely with partners such as Health.



Allyson said that if the Board are to make decisions and be involved that people need to be clear about what they want them to do?

Mick said that the Board are very influential and they do make a difference and have a lot of knowledge that we need to use. It is also important that we are clear on the Board's direction and important they are informed early on.



Ros said lots the work that is done moves much quicker than us. There needs to be more forward planning to involve us more in the decisions?

Mick said yes he agrees that they do need to do things differently and be clearer about this in the future.

9. Lead Commissioning



Tine Juhlert showed the Board a presentation about Lead Commissioning.

The 'Valuing People Now Consultation' paper says that the money that is held by the Health Service for Learning Disability Social Care Support should move to local Council's. The total amount that the Health Service has agreed to transfer to Adult and Communities is £11,011,940.



They are in phase 3 of the Health Homes Project to move people from residential homes to Supported Living. In this phase 70 people with a learning disability will move. So far 18 people have moved. Work is going on to set up forums where service providers can come and talk about how they can make Personalisation work and what they need to change to the services that they give people.



There are now 1372 people with a learning disability known to the Leicestershire County Council on the register. In 2009/2010 there was a 779 people in settled accommodation which was almost on target. 394 people were in Supported Living which is far off target. The department target was to get 935 people into Supported Living.





Alix said that the self advocates have looked at the presentation in their preparation meeting and they agree there are lots of abbreviations still. Also they asked some time ago that people should use pie charts instead of numbers as this is easier to understand.

Tine said this is not good and she will take this back to her team.

10. Regional Self Advocate Feedback

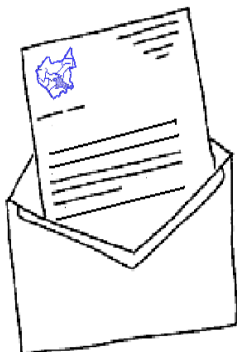


Dawn and Alix showed the Board a presentation about the last Regional Self Advocates Network in March. They told the Board that they talked about the reports and news from the National Forum and heard all about the Partnership Boards.

Helen Mycock ran some workshops on taking part in the Regional Forum and the skills you would need to swap news and issues between your Partnership Boards and the Regional Forum.

They also told the Board that the network will no longer be meeting and this was the last network meeting. Instead they would like the self advocates who are members of the Board's to attend the Regional Forums instead.

11. Monthly Update



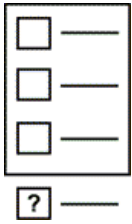
This is what the Partnership Board would like to put in the monthly update:-

Saeed came and told the Board about the Employment Plan and will be having a big event on 19th May 2010 to find out what people think of the plan. 99 people want to come to the event.

The Director of Adult and Communities came and talked to the Board about all the changes coming up in the future and answered the Board's questions.

There will be another big Health Event on 21st June 2010. Everyone is welcome. If anyone wants to go then let Keeley have your details to forward on.

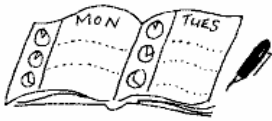
12. Any Other Business



Partnership Board Presentations

It was suggested that there is a lot of paper work with the Board and this is a lot of waste if everyone is printing them off. We need to look at other ways to do this in the future and make things simpler to save the planet.

13. Date of Next Meeting



The next Partnership Board Meeting is on:-

Thursday 3rd June
at 10.00am until 1:00pm.
In the Council Chamber at County Hall.

