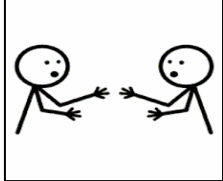
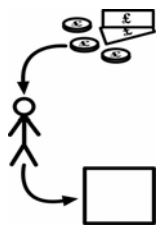
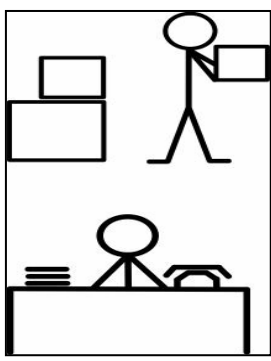



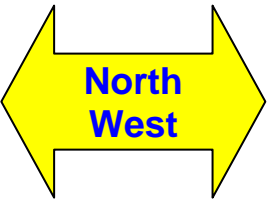



Learning Disability Partnership Board Sub and Locality Group Monthly Update

<p>Communication</p> 	<p>The group looked at their action plan. The group need to plan next years action plan and think about how they will run this. The group also looked at the Communication Plan and made comments. Jane who leads the group will be putting together a presentation on the plan to be deliverd to all the locality groups.</p>
<p>Personalisation</p> 	<p>The second meeting for the Personalisation Sub Group was held on the 22nd March 2010 and this was well attended. There was a very lively discussion throughout and people were candid with their views. This was welcomed. The terms of reference for the group were agreed and a date for a planning day was also agreed. This is to be held on the 27th April. A venue is yet to be found.</p>
<p>Employment</p> 	<p>The last meeting was on the 9th March 2010. It was not very well attended due to a variety of reasons. We discussed the implications of the Departmental efficiencies on Learning Disability Employment in the future highlighting the closure of The Breaking The Barriers Team next March 2011. They currently support Adults with Learning Disabilities. Community Opportunities will be required to 'fill the gap' over the next 12 months. We are looking forward to the new Departmental Learning Disability Employment Strategy being launched in May 2010 which we hope will cover the issues and follow the recommendations in the Valuing Employment Now document.</p> <p>We discussed the role that Leicestershire County Council should play in the future in employing more people with learning disabilities but acknowledged that in the current economic climate this will be very difficult. We agreed to explore an apprenticeship type of project to offer a combination of work placements and work opportunities within Leicestershire County Council to facilitate opportunities for people.</p>
<p>Community Opportunities</p> 	<p>On Wednesday 24th March 2010 and we looked at the new Transport Plan. We will tell Adults and Communities what we think of the Transport Plan.</p> <p>We are looking at how we work with ordinary services in the community.</p> <p>We want to share good ways of working in the community.</p> <p>Our next meeting is on Wednesday 26th May 2010 at 10.00am -12.00pm at Romulus Court in Leicester</p>

<p>Charnwood</p> 	<p>We invited Councillor Roger Wilson and his wife to visit our March meeting, as we thought it was important that they knew about all the good work we had done over the years. Sue Disley the Co-chair of the Partnership Board also visited to tell us about Valuing People Now and Sue Disley has invited some of the group members to go with her to talk to the Charnwood Borough Council to tell them about Valuing People Now and how they can help to make it happen.</p>
<p>Hinckley</p> 	<p>In Hinckley we had a carer's event at Bosworth Battlefield. There was lots of information there to help people. After lunch we saw a 'Birds of Prey' display. Some of the group took part and the birds landed on their hands. People said it was a good day, they found out lots of information and had fun.</p>
<p>North West Leicester</p> 	<p>Come along to the re-launch of the 'Have a go club' on 29th April at 1.30pm – 3.00pm at Hermitage Leisure centre at Whitwick. There will be street dancing, tai chi and seated exercise as well as the regular activities like bowling, football and Badminton. You can also use the swimming pool health suite and the gym. Bring your own carers. It is only £2.20 each. For more information ring Jane on 0116 305 7993.</p>
<p>Partnership</p> 	<p>The Partnership Board Annual Report has been done and signed off and this will be available on the website at www.Betterlives.org.uk. The web cast from the February meeting is also now available on the website.</p> <p>The Board have been working on the terms of reference and checking if they have got things right and the right people are coming.</p>

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