



Learning Disability Partnership Board Meeting
Tuesday 11th October 2016
Notes from the meeting
St Matthias Church Centre, Leeds 4



Board Members (who signed the attendance list)	
	Joint Chairs Councillor Adam Ogilvie Aaron Wood
	Learning Disability People's Parliament Ann Shuter Daniel Froment, Co-Chair of Being Connected David Norman Phillip Hawley Janet Simpson Claire Nixon, Advonet Carers Reference Group Liz Davis, Family Carer Lynn Bailey, Family Carer and Facilitator Kausar Iqbal, Family Carer Maureen Lumb, Family Carer Statutory Services Janet Wright, Adult Social Care Lana Northey, Adult Social Care David Rowley, Leeds and York NHS Foundation Trust Harriet Wright, Healthwatch Leeds Helen Gee, Adult Social Care Norman Campbell, Clinical Commissioning Group North Sadie Dunne, Leeds Teaching Hospital Trust Jane Flaherty, Department of Work and Pensions Andrew Garrick, Care Management, Adult Social Care Person Centred Approaches Cathy Wintersgill, Connect in the North Tenfold - Voluntary Sector Forum Kath Lindley, Tenfold Eloise Hartley, People Matters

	Andy Rawnsley, Aspire Carol Ann Reed Supporting the Board Louise Mills, Adult Social Care Guests Jacob Jasi, Leeds and York NHS Foundation Trust Apologies (Members who told us they could not come) Shirley Evison, Family Carer Chris Evison, Family Carer Max Naismith, Adult Social Care
	Notes from the meeting
	Welcome and introductions
	Councillor Adam Ogilvie welcomed everybody to the meeting. Aaron asked everyone to introduce themselves.
	The national financial situation – Janet Wright
   	Most of the Board meetings are based on the learning disability strategy themes but as there is so much in the news about funding cuts, the meeting agenda was changed so the Board could look at what the cuts mean nationally, for Leeds and for Leeds learning disability services. Janet gave a presentation about how much money central government give to Councils and the other things affecting funding. Here are some of the key points; • Nationally, there has been a 37% fall in the amount of money the government give to Councils. By 2019, this fall is expected to increase to 56% • There is an increase in demand for services • Some parts of the country have received bigger cuts than others • The national living wage rule will cost Councils a lot more money (but it is important that staff are paid properly) • Councils will have to make difficult decisions about where to spend money
	The Leeds financial picture – Lana Northey



Lana talked about Leeds City Council's budget and how the different departments use the money.

As the Council will not get any extra money and has more things to pay for, it will need to look at different ways of spending what it has. Board members were asked to do an activity that showed how they would spend the money if they were the Council and which services they would take money from to give to another.

Many Board members said it was difficult to make such decisions but made Adult Social Care a priority. After the activity, Lana showed what the Council had spent last year's money on. Here are some examples;

- Public Health £0.3 million
- Citizens and communities £24.6 million
- Children's services £120 million
- Adult Social Care £201.3 million

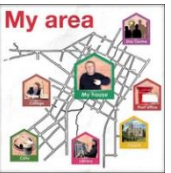
Leeds Learning Disability People's Parliament Report from 13th September 2016 – Susan Hanley and Philip Hawley



The Peoples Parliament prepared a response for the Partnership Board meeting. They talked about what they think the Council should spend money on and looked at ways of saving money. They came up with the following;

- People with learning disabilities would like more help to work or volunteer
- Help to be more independent at home
- Some people would rather be supported to live in their own flat, not in a house with other people
- Some members weren't sure where their funding comes from
- More support to do social activities and more things like picnic in the park
- Sharing support
- Some people spoke about ways to fundraise
- People suggested wearing more clothes and turning down the heating, using less taxis and more buses

 	There was a discussion about setting up a Peoples Parliament subgroup. Everyone said it was a good idea and wanted to join. We will hear more about this later. Julia Dixon and Sam Waite asked for feedback on their Speech and Language Therapy Leaflet.
	Learning Disability Service Community Review – David Rowley (extra agenda item)
	David talked about the Community Service Review and the feedback he received from the Peoples Parliament and Carers Reference Group. Kath Lindley invited Forum Central members to a review workshop, 18th of October at the Vinery Centre, Leeds 9.
	Carers Reference Group Feedback – presentation by Kausar Iqbal
  	Carers met on 30th September and prepared their response to the Partnership Board meeting agenda. Carers talked about the services that they value the most and which enable them to continue caring for their family members at home. The top three services are day services, transport and respite. The Group wanted to know what happens to the feedback they give and can they receive responses to the points they raise. Janet explained that in some cases, such as the feedback from a Good Lives Leaders visit, it is possible to provide a response but when some of the issues are beyond an individual officer's control, it is not possible. Action: Janet offered to come to a Carers Reference Group, Peoples Parliament and Tenfold meetings to talk about their concerns.
	Money for Learning Disability Services in Leeds – presentation by Janet Wright
	In 2010, Leeds Health and Social Care spent £90.4 million on learning disability services (this does not include money from Community Learning Disability Services). Over half of this money

  	(53%) went on residential care. By 2015/16, Leeds Health and Social Care spending had increased to £109.3 million and this time over half the money (55%) went on home care and supported living. This shows that more people with learning disabilities have more independence. Whilst Leeds has worked hard to protect the funding for vulnerable adults it will need to save lots of money. People are being asked to work together and look for ways they can share resources and work differently. One such example is using support workers differently and making better use of the local community facilities. Action: Janet will talk to the provider forums and Care Management teams about this. After the presentation Board members raised the following points • poor communications can result in people with learning disabilities not getting the right type of support • The Council's new IT system doesn't seem to work well and is causing people problems, especially around paying for services and the type of support they receive • Some support staff do not follow what's on a person's care plan and it is hard to hold someone to account
	Spending money wisely – Janet Wright and Lana Northey
	The Board was unable to look at this agenda item because the meeting had run out of time. Janet asked everyone to think about different ways of working together and saving money and she can discuss any ideas when she meets with the various groups.
	Partnership Board business
 	Partnership Board notes from 21st June The notes were sent out in September for the Board to check and will go on Through the Maze by the end of the week. Partnership Board compliment Philip Hawley said he thought today's meeting was very good and included helpful, clear, accessible information.



Future meetings

Tuesday 6th December 2016 – the theme is Being Safe, as chosen by Board members. Louise asked members to contact her with ideas for the agenda.



Tuesday 14th March 2017 – the theme is Being Well.

Tuesday 20th June 2017 – the theme is Being Connected.

19th – 23rd June 2017 – national learning disabilities week

Close of meeting

Councillor Ogilvie thanked everyone for their hard work.