



Learning Disability Partnership Board Meeting

Tuesday 20th June 2017

Notes from the meeting

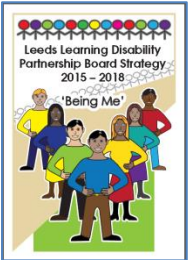
St Matthias Church Centre, Leeds 4



	Who came to the meeting (and who signed the attendance list)
	Board Members Joint Chairs Councillor Adam Ogilvie Daniel Froment (Chair of the Being Connected Task Group) Learning Disability People's Parliament David Norman Janet Simpson Claire Nixon, Advonet Jonathan Butler Susan Hanley, Peoples Parliament Carers Reference Group Lynn Bailey, Family Carer and Facilitator Jackie Hartley, Family Carer Maureen Lumb, Family Carer Shirley Evison, Family Carer Liz Davis, Family Carer Statutory Services Janet Wright, Adult Social Care Lana Northey, Adult Social Care Fiona Martin, Adult Social Care Norman Campbell, Clinical Commissioning Group North Lisa Keenan, Adult Social Care Jane Flaherty, Department of Work & Pensions Person Centred Approaches Cathy Wintersgill, Connect in the North Tenfold - Voluntary Sector Forum Kath Lindley, Tenfold

	Andy Rawnsley, Aspire Nicola Verity, People in Action Tina Turnbull, People Matters Guest Speakers Tristan Shorrock, Children & Families Complex Needs Leeds City Council Erica Ward, West Yorkshire Combined Authority Jacob Clark, Passenger Transport Services Leeds City Council Supporting the Board Louise Mills, Adult Social Care Luke Beaumont, Through the Maze Guests Nigel Wood, People in Action Philip Branson, Advonet Paul Metheringham, West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service Leanne Johns, Connect in the North Sue Passmore, Department of Work & Pensions Dean Milner-Bell, Easy on the i Apologies (People who told us they could not come) Chris Evison, Family Carer Kausar Iqbal, Family Carer Helen Gee, Adult Social Care Andrew Garrick, Care Management, Adult Social Care Aaron Wood Maire Sykes, Family Carer Maxine Naismith, Adult Social Care David Rowley, Leeds and York Partnership NHS Foundation Trust Stuart Morrison, Healthwatch Leeds Sarah Stewart, Leeds and York Partnership NHS Foundation Trust				
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	Daniel welcomed everyone to the meeting and talked about the rules of the meeting.	
Being Me, Being Connected – Janet Wright		
  	Janet explained that the purpose of the meeting was to look at the Being Connected theme again and reflect on what has happened over the last year. Here are a few important things • Over the last 12 months, everyone has worked really hard and saved £3million pounds from the budget. This year, we will have to save another £2.5million. • Health and Social Care think that the National Living Wage law introduced in April 2016 is very important. It also understands that it is not easy for organisations to find the extra money to cover this. • The Transforming Care Programme is a big piece of work and we are not sure who will continue working on it when Norman Campbell retires.	
 	Being Safe • This year the Good Lives Leaders visited 47 schemes. They reported on what was working well and what could be done better. The providers listened to the feedback and made some changes. The Good Lives Leaders also took part in a peer support challenge (a team from another area came to see how things are done in Leeds). • The Safe Places Scheme is getting bigger – Members of Aspire recently visited a bank to talk about the scheme. • The Health and Social Care Contracts Team is	

	expanding to include more staff that will focus on checking the quality of services.	
  	Being Well • The Health Task Group has got bigger and still meets regularly to see how they can improve access to health services. It is not clear yet who will run the group when Norman retires. • There are now learning disability / autism / hidden disability champions on hospital wards. They also have a purple information folder in each ward reception. • In the past, people have reported on the lack of easy read health information. There are now more easy read health leaflets and more to be done in the future. • People have told us they are now having better experiences in hospital. • Leeds hosted the World Triathlon Championships for the second year. Four special events were organised to encourage people with a range of disabilities to try the activities. Adults with learning disabilities made up the biggest number of people having a go. • Leeds 2023 – Leeds is putting in a bid to become the European Capital of Culture in 2023. Building on the success of the annual Leeds Learning Disabilities Week and other great events in Leeds, the Partnership Board needs to think about how it can help the Leeds Bid.	The Board
	Leeds Learning Disability People's Parliament Report from 6th June 2017	
	Members of the Peoples Parliament gave a presentation from their last meeting which was held in the Council Chambers.	

As the meeting was 2 days before the general election, they decided to look at voting and what changes they would like to see. The Partnership Board also needed this information to help with planning future meetings and the strategy refresh. Councillor Ogilvie talked about the elections and encouraged everyone to use their vote.



People talked about things that were important to them, which included;

- Travel – using buses, bus passes before 9:30am
- Work and things to do – being able to work and get paid makes people feel valued and less isolated
- Good support – support workers should be paid more and people should be allowed to choose who supports them



Councillor Jane Dowson, the Lord Mayor of Leeds came and said she was really impressed with the meeting. She asked people to invite her to meetings in the future.

The Peoples Parliament then voted for what matters the most to them. Here are the results



- Good support (19 votes)
- Respect and being treated as an adult (11 votes)
- Work and things to do (11 votes)
- Relationships (10 votes)



A camera crew from the TV programme Made in Leeds filmed some of the meeting. Radio Leeds also interviewed members of the Peoples Parliament. Click below for the interview.

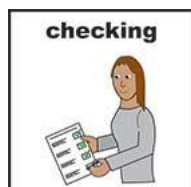
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p053qpyw>

After the presentation, the Peoples Parliament and Leep 1 thanked Norman Campbell for all the support he has

	given over the years and wished him a happy retirement. They then gave a special performance of one of his favourite records – Rocking All Over the World, by Status Quo.	
	Feedback from the Carers Reference Group meeting 9th June 2017	
   	Carers talked about the various parts of the Being Connected theme and gave real life examples of why they are important to family carers of adults with learning disabilities. Working and things to do ‘My daughter loves volunteering at a local crèche one day a week and working at a café, where she gets paid. These opportunities have boosted my daughter’s confidence. (Staff at Aspire and The Bridge received praise for the support they have given her daughter). Paid Support A carer raised two concerns; • Who is checking the quality of paid support providers? As the Council commission these services, is it their responsibility? Action: The Board agreed this is an important issue and will look into holding a meeting focussing on good support. • People with learning disabilities should also be matched up with a support worker who they get on with. Direct Payments Direct Payments have enabled a carer to fund personal assistants to support her daughter a few hours a week. This has made a big different to both of them and provided the carer with some much needed respite.	The Board



However, the carer felt people need a lot more information about Direct Payments as it seems very worrying at first. It is also important for people to receive training/support on how to manage the Direct Payments and services after they have got them as things don't always go to plan.



Good Lives Leaders

Two carers told the Board that they volunteered to be Good Lives Leaders because they wanted to check on the quality of services and that people are able to have a good life. They both felt the scheme is working really well, especially as there are now more adults with learning disabilities volunteering. One carer also commented that her son appeared in a show at the Leeds University. His performance was really good and that the staff at the University and the Centre had supported him well.



Duke of York Community Initiative Award

Councillor Ogilvie, on behalf of the Board, congratulated Lynn and Better Action for Families for being nominated for the award. Lynn talked about receiving the award at St James's Palace and meeting the Duke of York, Prince Andrew.

Strength Based Social Work – presentation by Fiona Martin



Fiona gave a presentation about a new way of providing social care. This new model has been tried in other parts of the country. Leeds has set up a 'Being Me' Project Team to adapt the model for Leeds. The name 'Being Me' was chosen so it links with the themes in the Learning Disability Strategy, called Being Me.

The new model will;

- be more person-centred

  	• provide better links to opportunities and activities in the local community • reduce bureaucracy (make things less complicated) Fiona recently attended the Peoples Parliament meeting and Carers Reference Group to talk about the new model and received some really helpful feedback. The new model will focus on three important things • Supporting people during crisis • People being referred for social care for the first time (new referrals) • Young people going through transitions (from the age of 18) After the presentation, people worked in groups to provide further feedback. Fiona said she would like to keep involving the Board and reference groups to make sure the new model is the best it can be.	
Being Connected – Kath Lindley		
 	Kath talked about the things happening in Leeds to help people with learning disabilities. • On 7th June there was a big market place event at the Civic Hall. It was for young people aged 13 – 25 with special educational needs or learning disabilities, their families and professionals who support families and young people. • Supporting Local Internship (learning in college and a workplace) – this item was covered in more detail later in the meeting. • Forum Central is hosting a big market place event 4th July. The event will feature 120 voluntary sector, health	

	and social care providers promoting the services and activities on offer in Leeds.	
	Employment update - Tristan Shorrocks, Children & Families Complex Needs Team, Leeds City Council	
  	Tristan came on behalf of Barry Jones and talked about support and schemes that help young people with disabilities get paid work. Supported Internships – this is a course offered by colleges and employers. Students spend most of the course time with an employer and one day a week at college. During this time they can learn new skills and gain experience whilst being in a workplace. Employers who have joined up to the scheme include Yorkshire Water and the Holiday Inn hotel chain. In 2015-16, 23 students took part in a supported internships trial. At the end of it, 4 students got jobs, 16 carried on in further education and 3 left the scheme. In 2016-17, 37 students joined the scheme and more employers offered work placements. The scheme has continued to fund a staff member from Pluss to work with special schools in preparing young people for employment. A local provider has also been funded to train up to 15 staff from special schools and colleges around employment. The Lighthouse Futures Trust has developed a supported internship framework in partnership with other providers. The aim is to increase the number of group supported internships available. The <u>draft</u> 'Leeds Preparing for Adulthood Strategy 2017-	

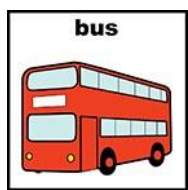


2022' is available for people to check. The Children & Families Complex Needs Team would like to know what people think about it. The last day for sending comments is the 7th July. Click the link below for the draft strategy Preparationforadulthood@leeds.gov.uk

[The Leeds Local Offer](#) – this website can help people find services and information for families, children and young people with special education needs and disabilities aged 0 to 25 living in Leeds.

Click [here](#) for more details on supported internships or telephone the Complex Needs Service 0113 37 87284.

Transport update – Erica Ward, Accessibility Officer, Metro



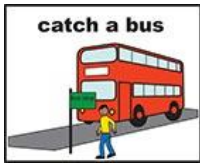
West Yorkshire Bus Strategy

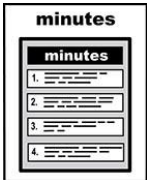
- Last year over 3,000 people had their say on the big plan for buses in West Yorkshire
- Most people thought that the plan was good
- Older people and disabled people said that the plan should do more to make buses easier for them to use
- More things were added to the plan, such as:
 - ✓ Training for bus drivers
 - ✓ Making sure bus companies all have the same policy about wheelchairs on buses
 - ✓ Making it easy to get information which is easy to understand
 - ✓ Making sure that people with a disability know what they can expect when they use buses



Yorkshire and Humber Talking Travel Group

- Metro works with Inclusion North to support the Yorkshire and Humber Talking Travel Group. They meet four times a year in Leeds
- Membership includes people from travel training schemes, safe places schemes, and self-advocacy groups. Sometimes bus company managers come

	along The group has a plan for what it wants to do this year which includes writing some tips for people using buses Disabled People's Bus Pass Metro are making it easier for people to apply for their disabled buss pass and there will be an easy read version of the application form. Metro will talk to John Burley when they write the easy read form. After the presentation the Board discussed other transport issues. The Board may hold a special meeting just to look at transport.	The Board
	Independent Travel Training – Jacob Clarke, Assessment Officer, Passenger Transport Services	
  	Jacob talked about independent travel training provided by Leeds City Council's Passenger Transport service. The training can support adults with learning disabilities to make certain journeys independently, either using public transport or on foot. Before a person starts the training, the individual, family members and professionals meet to look at what is needed. The person will then train with a support worker and travel training coordinator. It was acknowledged that the training might not work for everyone. Jacob showed a film made by the Ginger Cat Theatre Company. This company is a partnership of customers from Aspire CBS and the Bridge Project. The film is about adults with learning disabilities that have successfully completed independent travel training. Click here for a link to the film. Anyone interested in knowing more about Independent Travel Training for adults can contact the following	

	- Independent Travel Training Tel: 0113 378 1820 – or email ittleeds@leeds.gov.uk - Social Worker, David Crake - david.crake@leeds.gov.uk	
Partnership Board business		
  	Partnership Board notes from 14th March 2017 The draft notes were sent to Board members 10th April for checking. Members were asked to contact Louise before the end of the week if they thought anything needed to be changed. Norman Campbell On behalf of the Board, Janet thanked Norman for all his hard work and wished him a happy retirement. Board members then treated Norman to a display of Scottish dancing. Future Partnership Board meetings Tuesday 26th September 2017 –venue to be confirmed Tuesday 5th December 2017 – venue to be confirmed	All
Close of meeting and extra information		
	Councillor Ogilvie thanked everyone for their hard work and invited people to visit the information tables. Board members had been asked to bring details of the work they do and / or special events coming up.	