

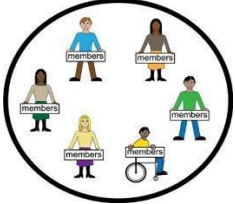
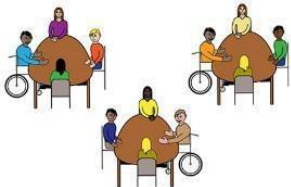


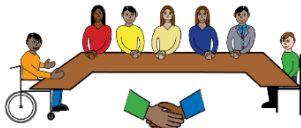
Leeds Learning Disability Partnership Board

- brief guide to how the Board works and who to contact

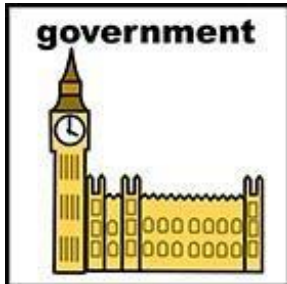


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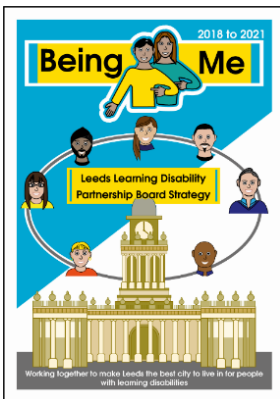
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Why we have a Learning Disability Partnership Board



In 2001, the government introduced the White Paper ***Valuing People***, because it wanted to make things better for people with learning disabilities. ***Valuing People*** focussed on four main things: rights, independence, choice and inclusion. ***Valuing People*** talked about making big changes.



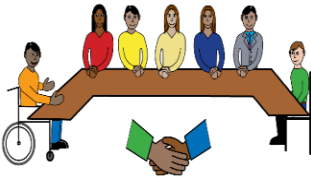
Leeds set up a Learning Disability Partnership Board to make sure that the ideas in ***Valuing People*** happened locally. A lot of things have got better but there is still more work to be done. The role of the Partnership Board is to bring people together; professionals and experts by experience.

In June 2018, the Leeds Learning Disability Partnership Board launched its latest strategy. This is called **Being Me 2018-21**. The aim of this strategy is for Leeds to be the best city to live in for people with learning disabilities.

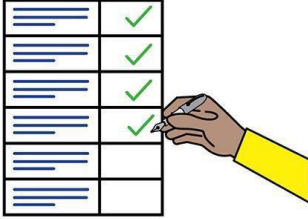
People with learning disabilities and family carers decided what should go in the strategy.



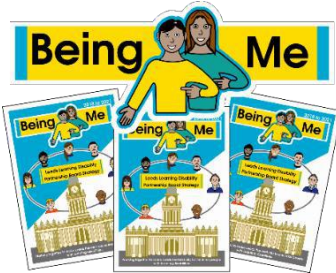
There are many ways people can get involved and support the work of the Board. In this guide you can find out who to contact if you would like more information or if you think you can help.

	2. Partnership Board members
	Board members and who they represent. • 2 Chairs - A Councillor from the local authority and a People's Parliament representative • 3 Councillors • People with learning disabilities • Family carers • Senior managers from health and social care, voluntary sector organisations, education and employment services • Advocacy (Support to help people with learning disabilities say what they think) • Through the Maze information service

things that you need to do



3. What the Board does



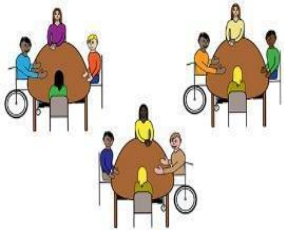
The Partnership Board

- Works to help make the things in the Being Me strategy happen.
- Brings people together to -
 - share ideas and information
 - Improve services so that people with learning disabilities can access and enjoy all the things that Leeds has to offer
- Supports the relevant priorities of others, including -
 - Leeds Health & Wellbeing Board
 - Transforming Care Programme Board
 - The Being Me Project Team. This team works to provide strengths based social care in the Learning Disability and Transitions Care Management teams.



Who to contact:

- Telephone: Rosie Robinson Boardman 0113 53 50763
- Email: learningdisabilitypartnershipboard@leeds.gov.uk

	4. Involving experts by experience
	The Partnership Board has two reference groups. They - • Tell the Board what is important to people with learning disabilities and their families • Share information about plans and changes to services with people outside the meetings • Provide opportunities for people to share ideas and support each other
	The People's Parliament: A group of adults with learning disabilities. There are about 40 members. They have 8 seats on the Partnership Board. Who to contact: • Telephone: Claire Nixon, Asking You! Coordinator 0113 244 0606 • Email: Claire.Nixon@advonet.org.uk
	The Carers Reference Group: Family carers of adults with learning disabilities. There are 16 members who take it in turns to attend the Partnership Board meetings. Who to contact: • Telephone: Lynn Bailey, Better Action for Families, 0751 5851631 • Email: baff2007@hotmail.co.uk

	5. Partnership working – forums for providers
 	The Partnership Board works with two provider forums: Tenfold (Voluntary Sector Provider Forum): Tenfold supports voluntary sector organisations who work with and for people with learning disabilities in Leeds. Tenfold has 5 seats on the Partnership Board. What does Tenfold do? • brings together voluntary sector organisations • supports organisations to share ideas and information • connects organisations with decision makers • raises awareness of issues that are important to people with learning disabilities Who to contact • Telephone: Jez Coram, Forum Central 0113 242 1321 • Email: Jez.coram@forumcentral.org.uk
	Learning Disability Provider Forum: This forum is run by the Council’s Contracts and Commissioning Team. This forum is for senior managers from residential, nursing care and supported living services for people learning disabilities.



What does the Learning Disability Provider Forum do?

- Strengthens the links between services
- Shares information on national and local policies, issues, and developments
- Shares good practice

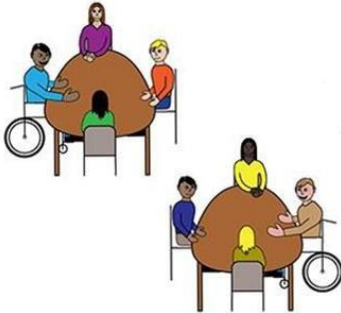


Who to contact

- Email:
WAAProviderForum@Leeds.gov.uk



6. How the Board gets things done



The Partnership Board has 5 **task groups**:

- Being Social Task Group
- Being Well Task Group
- Employment Task Group
- Travel Task Group
- Being Safe Task Group

What the Task Groups do

The Task Groups bring together a wider group of professionals and experts by experience. They work together to make the Being Me Strategy happen. The Task Groups report to the Partnership Board.

Who to contact:

- Being Social Task Group – Sarah Wheatley
sarah@citn.org.uk
- Health Task Group – Victoria Treddenick
Victoria.treddenick@nhs.net
- Employment Task Group – Jez Coram:
Jez.coram@forumcentral.org.uk
- Travel Task Group – David Crake
David.Crake@leeds.gov.uk
- Being Safe Task Group – Mandy Haigh
manager@leep1.co.uk



	Influencing and supporting role The Partnership Board and sub groups cannot force organisations to do things. But the Board has a lot of experience. The Partnership Board and all its related groups can work with organisations to help them develop their services and make sure that they are more accessible to people with learning disabilities and their families.
	Taking issues further Some of the Board members have seats on high level decision making groups. These members take learning disability issues to these groups. They also bring important information to the Board.

	7. To get involved with the work of the Partnership Board
	We want to hear from people who can help change policies and make decisions in the city. If you think you can help please email – learningdisabilitypartnershipboard@leeds.gov.uk
	For the Partnership Board strategy, Being Me 2018-21 please visit Through the Maze website http://www.through-the-maze.org.uk/