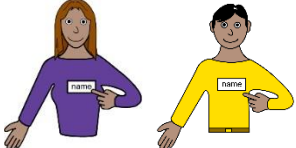
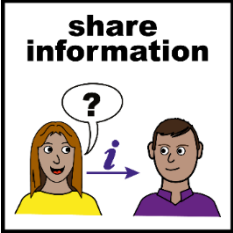


	Being Safe Task Group 13th June 2024
	The people who came • Gavin Murphy – (Advonet) Co-Chair • Cath Lee (Aspire CBS, Business Development Manager) Co-Chair • Councillor Kevin Ritchie (LCC elected member) • Kath Hibbert (West Yorkshire Police) • Caroline Armstrong (LCC Working Age Adults) • Tania Woodhouse (Connect in the North) • Thomas Chalk (Connect in the North) • Christine Sharpe (People Matters) • Sarah Statham (St. Anne’s) • Elaine Walton (Bright Sparks Theatre Arts) • John Hudson (Bright Sparks Theatre Arts) • Jimmy Knott (Asking You!) • Susan Hanley (Leep1) • Zoe Bawn (Aspire CBS, CEO)
	Apologies David Crake (LCC and Being Connected: Travel Theme Lead) Lucy Wild (West Yorkshire Combined Authority – Safer Travel Officer) Richard Cotton (West Yorkshire Police – Safer Travel Sargeant) Angela Greenhough (WY Police) Erica Ward – (WYCA) Claire Nixon – Forum Central Rachel Koivunen – (People in Action) Hazel Bailey (Leep1) Rita Hanson (Yorkshire Ambulance Service) Dominique Burley (Forum Central) David R (Leeds Safeguarding Adults Board)

	Welcome and introductions Gavin welcomed everyone to the meeting.
	Agreeing the minutes from the last meeting Cath went through the minutes from the last meeting on 8th February 2024 highlighting the key discussion points and actions. Everyone who was at the last meeting agreed that the minutes were accurate.
	Partner updates Gavin asked people at the meeting to update us on their areas of work. <u>Tania Woodhouse</u> asked about Personal Safety Training. Citn are not currently running any but will put it on if there's a demand. Protective Behaviours Training is a good way of learning about avoiding and preventing situations. Christine Sharpe suggested it would be a good topic to cover with the People Matters wellbeing group. The group were reminded about other keeping safe resources eg. Ask for Angela and Safe Places. <u>Safe Places scheme</u> Zoe updated the group on progress. 90% of Safe Places have been audited. The next step is to plan and deliver training to those Safe Places that have opted to receive it. <u>Cllr Ritchie</u> Cllr Ritchie suggested that the Independent Custody Visitors be invited to the meeting to talk to the group. Changing Places – Cllr Ritchie has been talking to his fellow Councillors about whether it would be possible to fund a modular build Changing Places toilet in the city as the lack of changing facilities makes the city a no-go area in the evenings. William Merritt Centre are exploring how to make their Changing Places toilet more accessible. Cllr Ritchie explained that the council have a mobile Changing Places toilet that can be hired. Information about the Changing Places network in Leeds is on Aspire's website. The link is below. Changing Places - aspirecbs.org.uk

Cllr Ritchie continues to talk to colleagues about improved signage for disabled people to help people move around the city. The Highways team will not allow any non-standard signs. Cllr Ritchie has been doing some walkabouts in the city to investigate breaches of disabled access eg. street cafes blocking tactile paving. He's highlighted that the access crossings on the temporary works are not good. Cllr Ritchie asked the group to report any similar issues they come across to him.

Good Lives Leaders

Jimmy Knott explained that the partners involved in Good Lives Leaders are working to get it going again. They are producing some handbooks and looking at relaunching it but are not yet at the point of bringing new people into the scheme. Jimmy confirmed that all the partners previously involved are still involved. They are aiming to visit day opportunities once they are up and running again.

People Matters

Christine Sharpe described the Wellbeing Groups that they run. They are currently running a programme that focuses on different safety themes eg. safeguarding, online safety, discrimination, safe places etc. This has been funded by The Mayor's Safer Community Fund. The group runs on a Monday and Friday. Christine asked for ideas about topics to cover. If anyone thinks of something please get in touch with her.

Asking You! Pass it on

The Asking You! Pass it on team will be asking a question at the People's Parliament takeover during Learning Disability Week. The question is 'Can people with a learning disability be supported to set up a peer support group, where they support each other to stay safe?' People who don't have paid support are restricted in what they can do as they don't feel safe alone. If they can go out with a 'social buddy' this will open up many social events. Asking You! Would like to hear of any examples

of where this might be happening. They will report back from the Takeover event.



Feedback from the Learning Disability Partnership Board meeting

Cath and Gavin gave feedback about the Learning Disability Partnership Board meeting that took place in April. The focus had been on Travel. The notes of the meeting are attached. The topics covered at the meeting included information about

- Independent Travel Training
- Travel Ambassadors
- Collaborative working
- Carers Reference Group feedback
- People's Parliament feedback
- Being Me Strategy update



Update on Progress against our Action Plan for 2024 – 25

This meeting we had a more detailed update on Hate and mate crime training.

Hate and mate crime training

John Hudson from Bright Sparks Theatre Arts explained what the previous training had been like. Susan from Leep1 said that it had been popular and that it was a shame it had to stop. John explained that he had tried to get independent funding from Jimbo's Fund but not been successful. They would like to find some way of doing it again. They have some funding (£2k) available that will contribute to any other funding that can be secured. John explained that they have other ideas eg. walkabout theatre to do disability awareness training eg. for Safe Spaces and that they work in partnership with Mind the Gap. John explained that their performances are generally charged on a 'pay what you feel' basis which helps with affordability.

John explained that the starting point for the hate and mate crime training would be to identify the themes and then choose the cast. The group discussed transport and when the sessions would be run in schools. It might be possible for the funding to cover the cost of transport for people

taking part eg. taxis. John explained that the sessions normally start at 10am.
John explained that Bright Sparks have good contacts for rehearsal space eg. Cardigan Centre.
Potentially, the cast could rehearse in Aspire Centres.
Zoe Bawn suggested that we need to think about the legacy of the project to ensure it has some lasting impact.
A Teacher's Pack had been produced previously and this could be revised and updated.

Kath Hibbert told the group that she has some mate crime leaflets and easy read booklets. She will find these and circulate. She has also done work with United Response on the topic and will get in touch to see if the resources that were produced can be shared.

Kath also let the group know that they run a Hate Crime clinic at Kentmere Community Centre on Wednesdays which is disability focused. They will re-promote this in the near future to raise awareness of the clinic. Please spread the word.

We will review progress with other action points at the next meeting.

Action
Changes
Things

Next steps

Good Lives Leaders

- Continue to bring updates on progress to the meeting.

Hate & Mate Crime Training

- Work on an application to Safer Communities Fund for the next round of funding (Autumn 2024)

Work with the police

Invite the Independent Custody Visitors to the meeting

Share any resources that relate to Hate and Mate crime with the group

Work on organising a visit to the Police Station

Outstanding action from previous meeting:

- Develop 'what to expect' documentation for people involved with the police as victims, witnesses or offenders.

Disability access in the city

Report any issues with access being hampered by roadworks to Cllr Ritchie

Ideas for People Matters wellbeing group

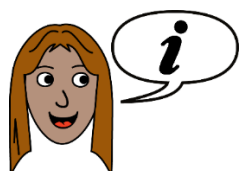
Contact Christine Sharpe with any ideas for safety related topics to cover in the group and if you are interested in running a session.

Asking You! To bring feedback from Council Chambers Takeover to the next meeting

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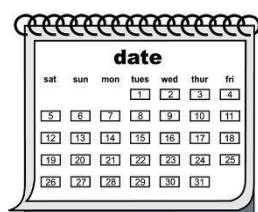
Payment for Advisers :

- Feed into work to design job descriptions and interview questions.



Any Other Business

John Hudson mentioned that Julie Lill is interested in running a pilot project to try supporting people to go out as a peer group during the evenings. They will run the pilot project for 1 month.



Date and time of next meeting

10:30am – 12:30pm

Thursday, 19th September 2024.

Meeting to be held on Zoom

Gavin thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.