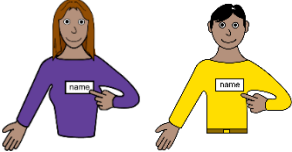
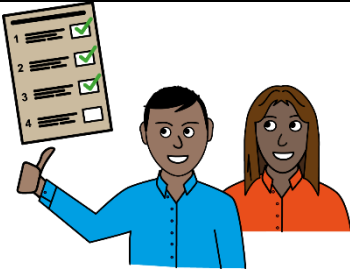


	Being Social Leeds Task Group 17th March 2026
	The people who came • Sarah Wheatley – Connect in the North • Kenny Hendy – Co Chair • Madeleine Fahy – Connect in the North • Tania Woodhouse – Connect in the North • Arron Simpson – Connect in the North Board Member • Paula Tordoff – St. Annes Leeds Services • Ciaran Wyer – Ididit Care • Jodie Lee Lindley – Aspire CBS • Yvonne Ugarte – BAFF Volunteer and Family Carer
	Apologies • Dominique Burley – Forum Central • Jane Walton – People Matters
	Introductions Kenny opened the meeting. Everyone introduced themselves.
	Minutes from last meeting Everyone agreed that the minutes from the last meeting were correct.

	Actions from the last meeting Action – Article about solutions to cashless venues for Through the Maze newsletter. An article has been written in the Spring newsletter. Paula is also a co-chair of the St Annes's Client Monies Group and will report back if there is anything to report from their next meeting. Action Next steps in setting up self-reliant groups which are supported by Trust Leeds.  Sarah is going to advertise some support sessions to be held at The Sugarmill in the late summer. Action – Helping people's money go further. Sarah has written an article about Community Centres in the Spring Through the Maze newsletter.
	Money Buddies Unfortunately, they have had to postpone attending the meeting and will hopefully attend the next one. Sarah showed everyone the website and where the local contact centres are.
	Leeds Partnership Board Sarah asked everyone if they had anything that would like to be on the agenda at the next partnership board on the 12th May 2026. Paula is going to ask if the nurse delivering the Oliver McGowan training at St Annes would like to talk at the next meeting. She will let Sarah know as soon as possible.

	Others said that they would get back to Sarah if they had any suggestions.
 The logo for Leeds Learning Disability Week features a semi-circular arrangement of colorful dots in shades of blue, green, yellow, and red. The word 'Leeds' is written in blue above the dots, and 'learning disability week' is written in blue below the dots, following the curve of the semi-circle.	Leeds Learning Disability Week 15th – 19th June 2026 Monday 15th June 1pm – 3pm. The Summer Chat held at the Sugar Mill. Places are limited to 20 but hopefully people will attend online. Tuesday 16th June Council Chamber Takeover followed by Pride March. The march is going to finish at the Corn Exchange. Action – Sarah to ask Asking You where the lunch will be on that day. Action – Sarah to complete the march risk assessment for the Police. Thursday 18th June 11am – 2pm Being Social Event – Leeds Kirkgate Market Friday 19th June Picnic in the Park – Temple Newsam Aspire's Got Talent Final Other Aspire events which are in the planning stages and will be published as soon as they are confirmed. Monday 15th June – Football Tournament 2 x Sunflower walks. One at Swinsty the other at Middleton Park. Art Competition Exhibition – Venue to be confirmed. Bake Off – hopefully the judging at the picnic. There are a lot of other ideas but still in the early stages of planning and will hopefully be shared soon.

Listed below are suggestions of organisation to invite to the Being Social Event :

Chapel FM, Yamsen, PHAB, Brightsparks, Space 2, Feel Good Factor, Fall into Place Drama Group, <https://fallintoplace.co.uk/>, School of Rock and Media, <https://www.sormstudios.co.uk/>, MoveAble at the Dance Studio.

Action - Sarah to contact and invite the above organisations.

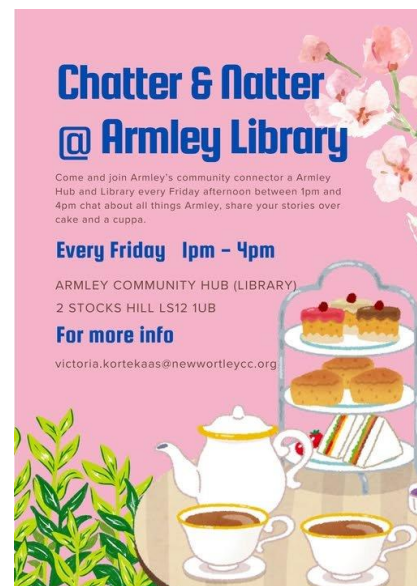
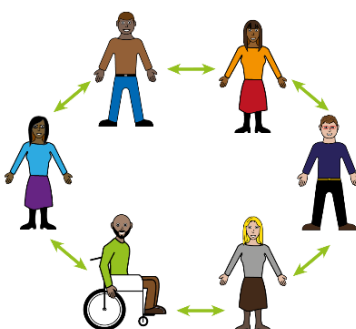
Madeleine asked for any contacts for any Sports Groups that we could invite.

Action - Jodie to send the contact details of Leeds Rhinos.



Share what your organisation is doing. Things that are happening in Leeds.

Sarah shared the posters below to talk about other social groups and things to do that other organisations are offering.




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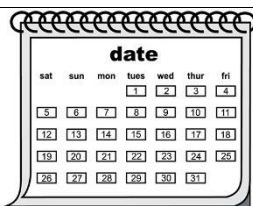
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Yvonne talked about Baff's Exercise and Social Group on a Monday evening 6pm – 7.30pm £2 per person. Term time only.

Sarah shared about Advonet's new friendship group free to join, some activities there will be a cost which is featured in the Spring Through the Maze newsletter.

Anything else to talk about.

Arron said he will try and source things to do in areas that people are struggling to find things to do for example Otley, Yeadon, Guiseley and Wetherby. One suggestion was Martha Lindsell – 1-1 Horse riding in Otley.



Date and time of next meeting –

No date was set. Sarah is going to send out a poll to ask everyone to choose a date.