Isle of Wight Learning Disability Partnership Board



Minutes Learning Disability Partnership Board held on Thursday 15 January 2009 at 12pm

Newport Football Club, St George's Way

People who were at the meeting:	People who could not come to the meeting:
John Phillips, Co-Chair Scott Watkin, Co-chair Tony Hands, Support for Co-Chairs Joanne Kiff, PCT Ali Barton-Smith, PCT Ann O'Brien, Senior Practitioner Louise Lamb, Learning Disability Team, IWC Maureen Sutton, LD Transport Officer, IWC James Barnikel, Service User Sam Martin, People First Vicky Jones, Project Officer, IWC Elizabeth Sturton, Parent Carer Jan Gavin, IoW Advocacy Trust Al Wyman, Service User Lindy Wyman, Parent Carer Dave Downer, Advocacy Trust/Mencap Pat Ready, Person Centred Planning, IWC Paul Smith, Osel Elaine Garrett, RCC Claire Foreman, Head of Sustainable Communities, IWC Mark Howell, Head of Housing, IWC Anna Roberts, Mencap Alix Woodford, No Barriers Co-ordinator, IWC Becki Lawson, Carol Oakley, Service User Jane France, Isle of Wight College Graeme Burnett, SWHA	-
Sarah Mitchell, Director, IWC Jacqui Hogg, Secretary (Minute Taker)	

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1.	Welcome and apologies	
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2.	Themed Discussion (Sub Groups)	
	No sub groups have met since the LD Services Strategy Workshop held on 14 November.	
	At the Workshop it was agreed that:	
	 Laura Timms/Marian Jones would act as lead for the Everyone Matters Sub Group. 	
	 Mark Howell would act as lead for the Where I Live Sub Group. 	
	 Bob Marks would act as lead for the My Health Sub Group. 	
	 Alix Woodford would act as the lead for the What I Do Sub Group. 	
	It was agreed that the leads were the people who would set up the first sub group meeting. At the first sub group meeting, chairs and/or co-chairs would be elected. The leads did not have to be a chair/co-chair.	
	At the Strategy Workshop some very brief action plans for each sub group were put together. Membership of each sub group would need to be agreed.	

It was agreed that sub groups would meet every 2 months, but would not report back to every LDPB. Two sub groups will give verbal feedback, and 2 sub groups will give a written report.The Making it Happen Sub Group will meet after the sub groups are up and running. Claire and Scott are willing to continue to co-chair the Making it Happen Sub Group, but if anyone else would like to co-chair to let Scott and Claire know.The membership of the Making it Happen Sub Group will be the chairs/co-chairs of the LDPB Sub Groups (What I Do, Where I Live, My Health and Everyone Matters).Everyone then talked about each group and who should be involved.What I Do Alix has agreed to be the lead for this group.It was agreed that members should be:Maureen Sutton, IWC LD Transport Officer Anna Roberts, Mencap Pat Ready, IWC Person Centred Planning Coordinator John Phillips, Gateway Club Sam Martin, People First Jane France, IoW College A special Olympics representative Paul Smith, Osel A representative from sport and leisure, suggested person Vicki Wallis-Flux, IWC		
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My Health It was agreed that Bob Marks be the lead for this group.	
It was agreed that members should be:	
Mandy Sellers, IWC Commissioning and Drug Action Team Teresa Day Jo Kiff/Ali Barton-Smith, NHS Betty Sturton, parent carer Karen Le Brecht, IWC LD Team Jan Gavin, IoW Advocacy Trust A representative from the police Ben Nutbourne, NHS Richard Thomas, NHS A GP Carol Alstrom A carer	
Where I Live Mark has agreed to be the lead for this group.	
It was agreed that members should be:	
A representative from Housing Benefits A representative from Supporting People Jeremy Baker, Registered Manager, Westminster House A representative from a private estate agent Service users who have different living arrangements, for example, people in residential care, in private home, in shared accommodation Peter Allen, Wight Lodge Debbie Wood, IWC Learning Disability Team A representative from education. A representative from Connections	
A representative from St Catherine's School A representative from Medina House School A representative from St George's School	

A representative from the IWC Children's Disability Team A carer	
Everyone Matters Ann will speak to David Hunt to see if he will be the lead for this group.	
It was agreed that members should be:	
Jan Gavin, IoW Advocacy Trust A representative from Children's Services and Adult Services who deal with transition of clients A solicitor A magistrate A prison representative A representative from the Advocacy Forum Paulette Quelch Bob Marks, Arthur Webster Clinic Sandi Garrett, PCT Commissioner for Prisons Alix Hicks, IWC Safer Communities Service Manager A parent with a learning disability A representative from the Carers Forum A representative from diversity and equality A representative from The National Autistic Society, Isle of Wight Branch	
A carer Jacqui will send an email to each lead. The	Minute
email needs to ask:	Taker
 That the lead co-ordinate a meeting before the March LDPB. 	
 That at the first meeting, chairs/co-chairs are elected. That a co-chair should be a service user where possible. 	

	 Jacqui will send the draft notes from the Strategy Workshop. Jacqui will ask that the priority actions are identified. That the information from the sub group is emailed to Jacqui to forward on to Scott and John. 	
3.	Minutes of the Meeting Held on 14 November 2008 Amendment Page 4, SAQ to be put in full. Amendment Page 8, under heading LDDF, last sentence to be changed to read "Everyone voted yes, apart from Pat and Laura who did not vote, as it was not appropriate for them to." Housing Information Day This is being held on 16 January 2009 at the Riverside Centre. Providers Forum Graeme told everyone that Sarah Mitchell has answered the queries. Sarah's PA is typing up the answers and they will be emailed to Graeme week commencing 19 January 2009. Claire said the answers are the same for all providers. Transforming Social Care information is coming out soon. Personal Budgets There have been some concerns about people who have a personal budget who are in residential care. Claire said this will be made clearer in the Transforming Social Care bulletin	Minute Taker Minute Taker

	coming out soon. The LDPB will get feedback about Self Directed Support and Personal Budgets. <u>Healthcare for All</u> This will be talked about at the March LDPB. <u>Carers Forum</u> This has not been forgotten about. The LD team are looking at this. <u>Questions about Autism</u> David Hunt will come to the next LDPB to do a presentation. <u>LDPB Website</u>	Minute Taker Minute Taker
	Vicky told everyone that she has changed jobs. She will no longer be doing learning disability work. Vicky will try to update the LDPB website before she goes on sick leave. It is hoped that you will be able to see the new Council website soon. Once that has been done, she will not be updating the website for LDPB in the future.	
	Moving Money from NHS PCT to Local Authorities John, Scott and Claire are meeting with Gillian Baker (PCT) to talk about this. They will update the LDPB in March. This money will be used for LD services only.	Minute Taker
4.	Rose Cottage (Sarah Mitchell)	
	Sarah thanked the LDPB for inviting her to the LDPB to talk about this.	
	Sarah said that what had happened was particular to Rose Cottage. There were good plans in place, but Rose Cottage had to be closed before the agreed time.	

The situation was very complicated. It was not appropriate for the service users at Rose Cottage to be in independent accommodation. Sarah acknowledges that everything happened too quickly. What happened will be used as a learning experience. IWC would like people to live independently, if they can and if they would like to. There have been funding problems. These are being looked at nationally and locally. Individual care needs to be identified so that people get the right care for their needs. This may mean that people currently funded by IWC, may be funded by the PCT if they meet the Continuing Care criteria. Sarah invited questions about anything else. Heathfield House These flats at Shanklin are for people with a learning disability. The LDPB did not know about it. Sarah apologised, but it all happened very guickly. Heathfield House was built for social housing. It may be possible to use one of the flats at Heathfield House as a practice/training flat. This would mean, that someone who has been living at home or in a residential home, can use the practice/training flat to see if they would like to live independently. If they do, the practice/training flat could be used by the service user to learn new skills. People providing support in supported accommodation need to have good communications skills.

IWC are trying to develop independent living accommodation across the Island.

5.	LDDF	
	Claire said IWC have not been told how much will be given for 2009/2010.	
	As Laura Timms has left, some of the money for her salary may be available. When Valuing People Now comes out, this should give guidance on what LDPB's should be doing and where the LDDF money should be spent.	
	The LD Providers Forum would like funding from the LDDF for admin support.	
	On Laura's behalf, Scott thanked everyone for their hard work and that Laura had enjoyed working with everyone. Laura wishes all the best for the LDPB and for the future.	
	The LDPB would like the co-chairs to write to Laura, thanking her for all her hard work. She had been very helpful and proactive.	Co-Chairs
	There is a little bit of money left in the 2008/2009 LDDF. Any requests for this should be emailed to to Scott, John and Claire via Jacqui Hogg. This should be sent by 5 February 2009.	
	Paperwork had gone out before the LDPB. This told people how to ask for money from the LDDF for 2009/2010.	
	Jan asked if some of the money available from the 2008/2009 LDDF could be used to pay for workshops telling people about personal budget brokerage. Claire said this should be funded from the Transforming Social Care budget, as personal budgets is for all client groups, not just for people with a learning disability.	

	Pat asked if she could have £350 from the 2008/2009 LDDF. This money would be used to buy 2 new digital cameras. Everyone voted yes to this. Pat did not vote, as it was not be appropriate for her to.	
6.	Adult Placement Scheme	
	IWC is thinking about doing an Adult Placement Scheme on the Island. It could offer short- term (respite) and long-term placements, as well as day support in the home and in the community.	
	Vicky told everyone that she and Mike from Contracts have been working on this. They have done a lot of research and asked people what they think. But, before setting up the scheme, the Council needs to know if people would like an Adult Placement Scheme. The scheme could be for all client groups, not just for people with a learning disability.	
	Vicky and Mike have written a questionnaire which asks if service users and carers think this is a good idea or not and why. Before they send the questionnaire out for people to fill in, they want to make sure it is right.	
	The draft questionnaire was sent out before the meeting so that people could look at the questions. Vicky had asked people to tell her about any changes they wanted to make before the meeting. This was so that she could make the changes and bring the final version to the meeting.	
	Vicky had had some suggestions for changes sent to her. These were small changes. She had made the changes and brought the slightly changed questionnaire to the meeting. Vicky	

	 asked members of the Board whether they were happy with the questionnaire. Everyone agreed the questionnaire. Now that the questionnaire was agreed, it could be sent out to carers. Service users would also be asked the questions through face to face meetings. Once the questionnaires have been filled in, Mike will look at the results. The Council will then make a decision whether or not to have an Adult Placement Scheme on the Island. If one is wanted, Mike will do the next bit of the project. 	
7.	 Transport Issues Vicky has had feedback from the Interprofessional Learning Unit students. Their report and accessible summary was sent out before the meeting. Vicky asked the Board where they would like her to send the report and accessible summary to. It was agreed to send both to: Sarah Mitchell, Director, IWC. Steve Beynon, Chief Executive, IWC. All day centres on the Island. It was also agreed: That a summary would go in the next LDPB Newsletter. That both documents would be put on the IWC website. 	

	Members thought it would be good if an article went into the Isle of Wight County Press. Vicky will research this.	Vicky Jones
	Maureen Sutton has joined Community Services for 6 months. She is the LD Transport Officer. Maureen will be looking at the need for personalised transport. Maureen will look at:	
	 What is available now. What services users like about the current transport. What service users do not like about the current transport. What service users would like for the future. 	
	Claire said that she had met with Wight Bus on 14 January. They talked about the new contract and what IWC would like.	
	It was raised that some residential homes have cars, but no drivers. Maureen will talk to Dave about this after the meeting.	
	Maureen will speak to Jan about shared driving. If anyone would like to talk to Maureen, call 520600 and leave a message with your name and number.	
8.	Any Other Business	
	<u>Time Banks</u> Pat said that she has heard of something called Time Banks. This is when someone can give their time in exchange for some help. For example, you could take Pat's dog for a walk for an hour. Pat would then be able to give you one hour's help on person centred planning without cost.	

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It costs £100 per year to join the scheme. This would include software to keep the hours logged and also help with running.	
This will be talked about at the next meeting.	Minute Taker
Information Sharing Louise thought it would be a good idea for people to think about how information could be shared. Information should be shared between LDPB meetings.	
<u>Vicky</u> Vicky is no longer working within learning disabilities. Vicky is now working on the Transforming Social Care agenda. Vicky thanked everyone for all their help.	
<u>Healthcare for All</u> Ali said there are 10 recommendations for improvement for people with a learning disability from the Case Study report. This involves lots of different areas and people within NHS PCT.	
The Strategic Health Authority will be giving new guidance on self assessments. Ali is waiting to find out more.	
Research is being done about Annual Health Checks.	
It was agreed that Healthcare for All would be the theme for the next LDPB. This will include a presentation by Ali and Bob Marks.	Minute Taker
Smoking Ban Al asked if smoking is banned in residential homes. Ann said that staff are not allowed to smoke in a residential home when they are on duty. Staff are allowed to smoke on duty in a chosen area outside.	

	Al said that when he is in a residential home for respite, the smell of smoke goes inside the home. Ann said she will speak to the respite manager. <u>No Secrets Consultation</u> Louise reminded everyone that the deadline is	Ann O'Brien
	31 January 2009.	
	<u>Venue for LDPB</u> Jacqui asked everyone what they thought about today's venue. It was agreed that the Riverside Centre would be better as it is more accessible and cheaper. If anyone has any other suggested venues, they are to email Jacqui (jacqui.hogg@iow.gov.uk) or call her on 520600 with costs.	
9.	Date of Next Meeting The next meeting will be held on Thursday 12 March 2009. The meeting will start at 11.45am for 12pm. The meeting will be held in the Hunnyhill Room at the Riverside Centre.	