



Learning Disabilities Partnership Board

Meeting	Date	Time	Location
Learning Disabilities Partnership Board Meeting	10 th December 2015	10.00 am – 1.45pm	St James Priory
Attendees			
Mike Hennessey	:	Service Director BCC / Co-Chair	
Alistair Henderson	:	Planning & Development Manager, Lead Officer LDPB	
Jeffery Osborne	:	Co Chair & Service User Representative	
Mary Moore	:	City of Bristol College	
Martin Walsh	:	Team Manager	
Laura Coke	:	Service User Representative	
Claire Hayward	:	Provider Representative (Freeways Trust)	
Andy Bright	:	Provider Representative (Brandon Trust)	
Mandie Lewis	:	Family Carer representative	
Mary Brennan	:	Family Carer representative	
Debbie Charman	:	Carers Support Centre	
Cathy Truman	:	Service User Support	
Vicki Jefferies	:	Bristol South Drop in / PMLD champion	
David Goodhind	:	Service User - Public Health / Service User	
Alison Sutton	:	Housing Lead	
Glenise Morgan	:	Councillor Bristol City Council	
Tracy Smith	:	Health Trainers (LD) Manager	
Jessica Harris	:	Bristol CCG	
Mike Lawlor & Vicki Abel	:	- BCC Castle Park Developments	
Jevon Smith & Helder Pedro	:	- Travel Buddies Project	
Kevin Caffrey	:	Bristol Community Links - Central	
Siobhan Gory	:	NHS England	
Valerie Stone	:	Family Carer Representative	
Keith Bates	:	Employment Lead	
Lin Blight	:	Clinical Service Manager CLDT	
Annette Jones	:	Service Manager – Children (Additional needs)	
Judith de Ste Croix	:	Manager – Bristol Communication Aid Service	
Catherine Martin	:	Commissioning Manager	
Apologies			
Tracy Smith	:	Health Trainers Manager	
Glenise Morgan	:	Bristol Councillor	
Sheena Huggins	:	Service Manager	
Debbie Millar	:	Strategic Manager for LD BCH	
Sam Radford	:	Family Carer	
Carol Watson	:	Service Manager (Birth – 25 service)	
Paula French	:	CCG Commissioning LD & MH	

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1.	<p>Introductions & Apologies</p> <p>Introductions were made and apologies noted. There were no declarations on interest. Co-Chairing was shared between MH and JO.</p>	
2.	<p>Community Support Services Consultation update Catherine Martin</p> <p>An update report was circulated in advance.</p> <p>Members welcomed the principles including independence. The recognition of the importance of carer involvement was welcomed and the links to employment and learning opportunities.</p> <p>The focus on wellbeing outcomes in a wide context is appreciated rather than just looking at leisure activities; however there is value in preventing Social isolation.</p> <p>ML commented that carers hope the carers protocol for change can be followed when the changes in CSS Commissioning are implemented</p> <p>The consultation closes on 7th January</p>	
3	<p>Care & Treatment reviews Siobhan Gory</p> <p>Presentations including Easy Read materials were sent out in advance. SG gave an update on the NHS approach to Care & Treatment reviews. As well as a new way for reviewing cases like people who used to live at Winterbourne View, the CTR reviews have an important role in avoiding admission to hospital settings.</p> <p>Community based services are being provided as part of local treatment processes.</p> <p>SG described how that lump sum funding will be available for some individuals who have been in hospital over 3 years so that they can be provided with appropriate support to be live in the community.</p> <p>Members commented that housing needs to be a priority consideration, often with alterations required for individuals.</p> <p>It is important to note that the requirements of Mental Health Act have to be a priority, however person centred Care and Treatment Reviews are essential to care and discharge planning.</p> <p>There was a brief conversation about Deprivation of Liberties and best interest issues. LC commented about the case of teenager with learning disabilities who was sedated and flown from south-west England to Dundee ahead of being placed at Winterbourne View.</p>	

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	<p>Action AH agreed to e mail details of the case to SG for comment</p> <p>The process of the Care and Treatment reviews is the responsibility of the Clinical Commissioning Groups.</p> <p>There are 17 people in Bristol who will be having CTR's.</p> <p>For any other questions members can e mail SG outside of the board: siobhan.gorry@nhs.net</p>	AH / SG
4	<p>Service User Issues</p> <p>Service users welcomed the document listing social and community activities that are user friendly for service users and carers. Having friends and relationships is important. People with a LD do not just want to have staff as their only social contact.</p> <p>DC commented about the good work of the “Stay Up Late campaign”</p> <p>Action AH agreed to circulate details.</p> <p>It is 21 months since People First closed and service users feel the voice of people with LD is no longer heard. What has happened to the Commissioning plan that Sonia Moore started?</p> <p>AH thanked the service users for their stamina in raising this issue, he has spoken to commissioning Managers and has agreement that Helen Pitches will attend the LDPB in March with a formal update on Commissioning plans regarding advocacy.</p> <p>Jevon Smith & Helder Pedro from the Travel Buddies scheme were welcomed by MH as observers. It is hoped that service users known to travel buddies will be interested in service user representation to the board in the future.</p>	<p>AH</p> <p>AH /HP</p>
5.	<p>Bristol Communication Aid Service Judith de Ste Croix</p> <p>Judith talked about the service referring to the presentation that had been circulated in advance.</p> <p>BCAS work with people who have complex communication difficulties. It is a service commissioned by the Clinical Commissioning Group.</p> <p>Most people are referred by speech and language therapists. The referral form is quite long. There is a waiting list so priority is given to people with deteriorating conditions, people going through transitions and people with no communication.</p> <p>People referred need a lot of support in the assessment process so attendance and assistance from family members/ key workers is vital.</p> <p>Equipment is often allocated on a trial basis initially so that people can see if what they are given works for them.</p>	

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	<p>There was a lot of discussion about whether people lose out when they become adults and what happens if people fall through gaps in service criteria.</p> <p>Members are concerned that people with profound and multiple learning disabilities may not qualify, they have needs, but are unlikely to improve. This indicates that in adulthood there is a lack of communication support that would have been met whilst at school.</p> <p>Judith is happy to respond direct to e mail questions from people outside of the board.</p> <p>Contact: Judith De Ste Croix Manager Judith.DeSteCroix@nbt.nhs.uk</p>	
<p>6.</p>	<p>Castle Park developments Mike Lawlor & Vicki Abel</p> <p>Hard copy posters and information sheets regarding developments were circulated. A 12 week consultation started on 1st October and members are welcome to respond as individuals.</p> <p>Feedback to the consultation from board members included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can the City Council ensure that mobile changing facilities such as Mobiloo or AndyLoos specialist units are available at all public events in the park or on St Peters Square? • Improved lighting in the park; • Could security such as CCTV coverage be improved? • Signs and markings separating pedestrians and cyclists are needed. • Wheelchair accessibility around the park needed with the right surfaces on footpaths. 	
<p>7.</p>	<p>Family Carers Report Family Carer reps</p> <p>Points raised regarding the CSS consultation process where noted by Commissioning both as feedback and for future engagement.</p> <p>Regarding new respite services, the Care Quality Commission seek views from the local authority ahead of registration as a respite care provider. Action MH will contact Sheen Huggins to provide updates on what is becoming available.</p> <p>As regards the employment question, KB referred to the Bristol One Stop Service website as a start point. www.bossemployment.co.uk/</p> <p>Capacity for job coaching is being developed as evidence shows this is one of the best ways to support people into jobs, likewise the Project Search internship initiative.</p> <p>Work is being done with building aspiration in schools and the provision of workshops for family carers can be revisited.</p>	<p>CM</p> <p>MH/SH</p>

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	<p>MH referred to the Learning City initiative in Bristol City Council that KB is now supporting.</p> <p>CH added that many providers have employment initiatives including self-employment projects.</p> <p>As already discussed by service users, family carers are concerned about the gaps in advocacy support, for example to this board and in representing people with LD as a group when media comment is needed etc. so they look forward to the update in March.</p> <p>As recruitment of personal assistants, this is a national problem for care providers. It was suggested that people contact WECIL for advice: http://www.wecil.co.uk Telephone: 0117 947 99 11</p> <p>A new worker called Chris Chart has been recruited by the Carers Support Centre, he starts in January and along with many other tasks, he will support carers at the LDPB in future.</p>	
<p>8.</p>	<p>Matters arising from Work/Sub group reports</p> <p><u>Employment</u></p> <p>Many points were covered by the carers' questions, and the report circulated. KB described the need to ensure Project Search placements lead to other significant employment opportunities; this is an opportunity for employers to demonstrate their commitment.</p> <p><u>Health</u></p> <p>Lin Blight referred to the minutes of the last health group meeting and asked that AH adds Wendy Cahill to the LDPB e mail group to ensure reports continue as the Chairing of the group is on a rota basis.</p> <p>This was Lin's last LDPB as she is leaving her job, Lin was thanked by JO for her support to the board over many years. Carole Adams will be representing the CLDT in the future and was welcomed by members.</p> <p><u>Providers</u></p> <p>Most of the provider questions related to how services were Commissioned, challenges for providers on costs and working with Bristol City Council so AH and CH agreed to deal with these matters outside of the board.</p> <p>CH shared how recruitment is an issue for care providers and can get in the way of responding to requests for care packages.</p> <p>Finally safeguarding was discussed in the context of what to do if appointees such as family members use finances for their own benefits. Members referred to the safeguarding escalation policy within the council that can be used to address such concerns.</p>	<p>AH</p>

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9.	<p>AOB as agreed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>St Christopher's School.</u> Family carers raised the subject of the recent press report regarding the closure of St Christopher's School and recent Ofsted report. It is early days regarding planning for children who are currently attending. Action AH and MH to arrange an appropriate update to the board in 2016 • <u>Public Health.</u> Following a question at the AH has contacted Public Health regarding representation of the interests of people with LD at the board. Action Leonie Roberts who is working in the Council on public Health issues will give an update to the board. • Bristol Disability Equality Forum is working on a manifesto for disability. ML asked that this should include learning disabilities. Action AH to contact DEF to make this point 	<p>AH / MH</p> <p>LR/ AH</p> <p>AH</p>
10	<p>Previous Minutes and Action List</p> <p>Previous minutes agreed as accurate.</p> <p>Once these minutes are agreed they will go on the Bristol City Council LDPB website and the Action list will be updated. Action AH</p> <p><u>On the agenda for LDPB March 2016</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LD Self Assessment Framework 2014 / 2015 • More on Assistive Technology 	<p>AH</p>
11	<p>Meetings for the year ahead.</p> <p>10.03.16 10.00 – 2.00pm @ St James Priory</p> <p>09.06.16 10.00 – 2.00pm @ St James Priory</p> <p>08.09.16 10.00 – 2.00pm @ St James Priory</p> <p>08.12.16 10.00 – 2.00pm @ City Hall</p> <p>Action: Members to put these in their diaries</p>	<p>All</p>