



Learning Disabilities Partnership Board

Meeting	Date	Time	Location
Learning Disabilities Partnership Board Meeting	Thursday 12 March 2015	10am – 2pm	City of Bristol College
Attendees			
Mike Hennessey	:	Service Director BCC / Co-Chair	
Alistair Henderson	:	Planning & Development Manager, Lead Officer LDPB	
Mary Moore	:	City of Bristol College	
Vicki Jefferies	:	Bristol South Drop in / PMLD champion	
Martin Walsh	:	Team Manager	
Laura Coke	:	Service User Representative	
Claire Hayward	:	Provider Representative (Freeways)	
Lin Blight	:	Clinical Service Manager CLDT	
Debbie Millar	:	Strategic Manager for LD BCH	
Lesley Russ	:	Public Health LD Specialist nurse	
Valerie Stone	:	Family Carer - Observing	
Mandie Lewis	:	Family Carer representative	
Mary Brennan	:	Family Carer representative	
Cathy Truman	:	Service User Support	
Paula French	:	CCG Commissioning LD & MH	
Louise deCordova	:	Planning & Development Officer, Bristol City Council	
David Goodhind	:	Service User - Co Chair (Cover for Jeffery Osborne)	:
Sheila Jolley	:	Provider Rep (Milestones Trust)	
Alison Sutton	:	Housing Lead	
Sam Radford	:	Carers Support Centre	
Glenise Morgan	:	Councillor Bristol City Council	
Katie Britten	:	Planning and Development Advisor, BCC	
Lynne Collingbourne	:	Commissioning Manager	
Katie Britten	:	Planning & Development Advisor – Observing	
Sarah Fallon	:	Project Search Support	
Becky Smith	:	Project Search Intern	
Apologies			
Jeffery Osborne	:	Co Chair & Service User Representative	
Suzy Robson	:	Family Link Worker, Claremont School	
Lucy Parsons	:	CHC	
Keith Bates	:	Employment Lead	
Sheena Huggins	:	Service Manager	
Lucy Armour	:	Care Quality Commission	

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1.	<p>Introductions & Apologies</p> <p>Members, speakers and observers were all welcomed, introductions were made, apologies taken and items for any other business agreed.</p>	
2.	<p>NHS Care & Treatment Reviews Kevin Elliott - Clinical Lead Transforming Care Programme (NHS)</p> <p>KE attended the board to discuss NHS Care and Treatment reviews (CTR's) following recommendations from the Winterbourne View Serious case review. It was also in response to the letter sent to NHS England on behalf of LDPB members regarding the reviews and concerns regarding timescales and the need for the reviews to be person centred of high quality and holistic.</p> <p>The reviews are one of the top 14 priorities set for the NHS nationally. The NHS has followed progress of 47 service users from Winterbourne View since it closed. KE also talked about lessons learned and monitoring.</p> <p>PF advised that some data cleansing is required, as double counting is occurring due to the range of reporting requirements to NHS England. Concern that local knowledge is being lost when CTRs are being carried out remotely by NHS England without reference to the originating area teams.</p> <p>KE agreed that an answer could be that people are only counted from their original discharge area – and there is a commitment within the NHS to streamline the data. Agreed that it is important to involve the originating CCG and local authority when decisions are made with regards to discharge of service users.</p> <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Care and Treatment reviews and discharges to be placed on June or September agenda for more consideration • Today's presentation to be shared with the Board 	<p>AH</p> <p>AH</p>
3	<p>Care Act 2014 Presentation Lindsay Winterton - Care Act Lead, Bristol City Council</p> <p>LW gave an update on the implementation of the Care Act 2014 (reports had been circulated in advance)</p> <p>The Act puts many previous Health and Social Care legislation into one place with national eligibility criteria for services. The Act focuses on the quality of care and support for individuals from agencies working in partnership.</p> <p>Key elements of the act refer to Wellbeing, Independence, support for Carers and the provision of Advocacy support.</p> <p>Members discussed new Care Accounts for 'self-funders' that are to be</p>	

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	<p>set up by April 2016 to monitor eligible care needs. Contributions by individuals will be capped at £72,000 for personal care over their lifetime but exclude 'hotel costs'</p> <p>There is significant reference in the act regarding the Council's responsibility for Safeguarding vulnerable adults.</p> <p>ML asked what the position was with 'Continuing Health Care' and would the cap on care costs apply to children.</p> <p>It was confirmed that The Care Act doesn't change the current health service provision and that this would continue to be free at the point of delivery, but reinforces the necessity for a joined up approach by providers. The cap on social care costs is also applied to children in transition to adult care services.</p> <p>AS asked how the obligations to individuals moving area worked in practice. It was confirmed that the existing Local Authority should inform the new authority of a service users expected move to the new area.</p> <p>LR asked how the Council will know if care assessments are being done well. How will people with Learning Disabilities and their representatives be able to input into their care. LW described how a significant investment was being made into training and development of staff, including an introduction to a new care management system to enable risk to be consistently assessed. With steps taken to share, monitor and audit assessment paperwork in an open and transparent way.</p> <p>ML expressed concern that a backlog of assessments would be created by the increased workload for LA staff with reduced resources.</p> <p>Action LW is likely to seek further engagement with service users, family carers and other members and will keep AH updated about further events and interest groups.</p>	<p>AH / LW</p>
4	<p>Better Care Fund Bevleigh Atkins-Evans - Better Care Programme Director</p> <p>Reports and information had been circulated in advance</p> <p>The Government has set targets for the Better Care Fund; the focus is on the over 65 age group.</p> <p>The fund aims to consider gaps and overlapping with service provision with the use of pooled funding across local authorities and the NHS.</p> <p><u>Members discussed:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Staying at, or close to home with as much independence as possible ○ A focus on wellbeing and integrating services around individuals. ○ Reductions in emergency hospital and care home admissions ○ Only having to tell you story once, with a single point of contact / 	

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	<p>named coordinator for your care.</p> <p>Further information on an Integrated Services Pilot will follow</p> <p>Actions : Easy read versions of presentation and general information regarding the fund are needed (Health Trainers to assist)</p>	BA-E
5.	<p>Advocacy update Sonia Moore – Commissioning Manager</p> <p>SM updated the Board on action taken to date to comply with duty to provide advocacy under the Care Act and described the many types and sources of advocacy in Bristol.</p> <p>In the short term the Council have appointed ‘Your Say’ Advocacy in order to comply with the duties within the Care Act by 1st April, to provide advocacy services to anyone with substantial difficulty in accessing care provision.</p> <p>The Council is seeking a longer term options with a city-wide approach to advocacy and a 3 month consultation will start at the end of March. Board members are asked to contribute to the Easy Read survey online and an open forum consultation event in April in order to inform new advocacy service models to be developed over the next 12 months.</p> <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o SM to circulate dates and details regarding the consultation and open forum event. o AH to invite SM back to the June board meeting for an update <p>Update <u>Due to constraints with the pre-election period there is a delay on launching the consultation, it is now due to launch at in May.</u></p> <p>Action: Information regarding arrangements for the Advocacy consultation will be circulated to members as soon details are confirmed.</p>	<p>SM/AH</p> <p>AH</p> <p>SM/AH</p>
6.	<p>Lifeskills Louise Salter – Centre Manager</p> <p>LS introduced the Lifeskills safety centre based on 4th floor of the Create Centre and providing a life sized village to enable people to practice life skills in a fun way e.g. crossing the road, fire safety, accessing health care, working cash machine etc.</p> <p>There are 5 different programmes, at least 6 sessions per year It costs £25 to train to use the centre to support individuals or groups, but access is free after this.</p> <p>The centre has experienced a fall in use by adults and would like to receive any feedback on improvements. Members made suggestions about how to deal with cold callers, nuisance telephone sales and how to deal with financial scams.</p>	

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	<p>MH suggested that the Lifeskills centre may usefully benefit from Will Britten's creative technology solutions.</p> <p><u>Lifeskills contact details:</u> Louise Salter louise@lifeskills-bristol.org.uk Website www.lifeskills-bristol.org.uk/ CREATE Centre Smeaton Road Bristol BS1 6XN Tel: 0117 9224511</p>	
7	<p>Family Carers Report</p> <p>Report circulated in advance, discussion and answers below:</p> <p><u>School Road Closure</u> It was confirmed that School Road closes 31st March 2015. The property/land will revert back to Council capital stock, with savings of £290k. Of total service users 53 people now have alternative provision, 1 had moved out of area, 2 or 3 were unsure of where to go next and 1 was deceased.</p> <p>Question was raised why a Carers Impact Assessment had not specifically been done under the Carers and protocol for change</p> <p>MH explained that an Equalities Impact Assessment (EQiA) had been carried out because the needs of the service users were so intrinsically linked to the needs of the carers, however, with hindsight it would have been useful to have completed a separate Carers Impact Assessment although the detail would have been largely as stated in the EQiA in order to demonstrate the strength of feeling held by stakeholders.</p> <p>ML expressed concern that the data in the EqiA did not accurately account for the number of carers involved i.e. 18 being specified when the number should have been closer to 62.</p> <p><u>0-25 Service</u></p> <p>Concerns raised that 0-25 Service had no representation to engage on questions/concerns.</p> <p>Action AH to seek answers to questions raised in the report from Carol Watson who will attend a future meeting</p> <p>AH / MH to follow up on representation from Children's services</p> <p>There was a discussion around the difficulties faced by adult services in continuing the same levels of communication and technology aids experienced by individuals in children's services due to lack of resources and experience of adult services commissioners.</p> <p>It was agreed that getting services right for children approaching and during their transition to adult services could improve outcomes for the young adults and impact positively on community cohesion.</p> <p><u>Deprivation of Liberties</u></p> <p>722 people currently awaiting assessment.</p>	<p>AH</p> <p>AH / MH</p>

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9	<p>Matters arising from Work/Sub group reports</p> <p><u>Employment</u></p> <p>The Board is keen to hear updates on initiatives like Project Search and Sixteen.</p> <p>AH and Cllr Morgan reported that at a recent Education and Skills Inquiry day for Council members and relevant partners, people showed an understanding to the challenges for people with learning disabilities wanting work and recognition of the value of job coaching.</p> <p>It was felt that a representative from Community Links would be useful in the employment subgroup.</p> <p>ACTION: Request that Community Links to provide a representative for the Employment sub group</p> <p><u>Health</u></p> <p>MH was pleased that there were clear examples of how public health and early intervention could work in practice. If willing, people like Amanda could be an ambassador for care health and health services in showing what can be achieved</p> <p>Board members are concerned to hear that Lesley Russ will retire in July. Lesley will be missed and the health work group is looking for a new chair.</p> <p>ACTION LR to update on health group chairing and reporting arrangements and refer LDPB's positive comments back to Amanda.</p> <p><u>Providers</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Concerns about changes to sleep ins. SM to feed anxiety back to Mel Rogers and commissioning team. 2. Concerns about the expectation of good practice to receive a detailed employee references from other social care providers. As concerns about employee behaviours may not surface until after the appointment had been made. <p>There is a role for the authority to encourage people to write detailed references and encourage our providers to do the same</p>	<p>MW</p> <p>LR</p> <p>All</p>
10	<p>AOB as agreed</p> <p>➤ <u>Men's Health</u></p> <p>Cllr GM asked the Board's view of an application for Healthwatch funding to produce an easy read version of the Men's Health manual. Information has been circulated and hard copies were considered.</p> <p>Cllr Morgan supports the Men's Health and wellbeing stakeholder group.</p> <p>LR said how important it was that men with LD were being helped to think about their health and issues such as screening. Easy read</p>	

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	<p>information is really helpful particularly when the issues are of a personal nature.</p> <p>Board members all agreed that this was highly appropriate and that members would actively promote the guide widely with their contacts and service providers should it be published.</p> <p>➤ <u>Local Account</u></p> <p>The Council has produced their first Local Account (a review of social care services) and encouraged Board members to read the hard copies that were circulated or the online version.</p> <p>Action: Members are invited to provide feedback and comments for future reports to AH.</p> <p>➤ <u>Voting</u></p> <p>Easy Read booklets were shared about the election process and voting.</p> <p>Action AH will circulate links to easy read information Mencap have produced for the manifestos of the main political parties</p> <p>➤ <u>No Voice Unheard Consultation</u></p> <p>See the link: https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/strengthening-rights-for-people-with-learning-disabilities</p> <p>The consultation explores options on issues such as how people can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Live independently, as part of a community •Have their views heard and be able to challenge decisions. •Exercise choice and control over the support they receive •Know that professionals are looking out for their physical health needs as well as their mental health needs <p>Board Members were asked to respond with thoughts on the online consultation, this can be done individually, also AH is willing to pull together a response from board members</p> <p>ACTIONS:</p> <p>Members to send responses to AH by 26th May 2015</p> <p>AH to coordinate a response from the Board</p>	<p>All</p> <p>AH</p> <p>All</p> <p>AH</p>
10.	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p><u>Thursday 11th June 10.00 - 2.00 – City of Bristol College</u></p>	All