


# MINUTES

## LEARNING DISABILITY PARTNERSHIP BOARD MEETING

26<sup>TH</sup> November 2014 – 10.00am till 12 noon  
(coffee 9.30am - lunch 12 noon included)  
Conference Room, Blackburn Rovers, Blackburn

Venue : Conference Room,  
BLACKBURN ROVERS ENTERPRISE CENTRE,  
Darwen End Stand,  
Ewood Park,  
Blackburn, BB2 4JF

Item No.	Item	Lead
1	<p><b>Welcome, apologies, introductions and traffic lights.</b></p> <p>Introductions given by Sally and traffic lights system explained.</p> <p>Apologies: Peter Soothill, Jerry Wood, Susan Kelly. Gemma McMullen, Peter Dillon, Stephen Gallagher, Lois Fitzpatrick, Denise Gaffing,</p>	Sally
2	<p><b>News Items and Events:</b></p> <p><u>Winterbourne update</u></p> <p>Sally informed people that the Winterbourne report had again been in the news recently, saying that some of the recommendations still had to be implemented in certain areas.</p> <p><u>LD self-assessment framework – Stuart Sheridan</u></p> <p>Stuart went through presentation and talked about what it entails.</p> <p>See presentation below</p> <p> 2014 SAF - LDPB Nov 2014.pptx</p>	Stuart          Cheryl

Wheels around Witton – Cheryl

Cheryl discussed the services and events available.

See presentation below



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**Things to Talk about:**

Blackburn with Darwen Carers Service

Sam Morris gave an update on the following points:

- New website is being launched early December with full details of Carers services available.
- Newsletter will be issues early December.
- Supported out of hour service 5.00pm to 8.00pm if you need support just ring the main number



carers rights day.pdf

- Carers service day event – 28<sup>th</sup> November

There is currently a course running regarding Life after Caring which is available for all carers.

There is also a Dementia group for carers who care for people with Dementia.

A Men's group focussing on men's general health.

Carers respite grant – Sam explained about some funding that is available and explained entitlement to this. It was also noted that to receive full entitlement, you need to be registered with the Carers Service

Sam suggested that to improve the services and support for parents/carers of people with learning disabilities, there may need to be a specific learning disability parents support group facilitated by the Carers Service. Sam asked permission for existing carers to share their contact details with the Carers service. The intension will then be for a couple of representatives to attend the LD Board and maintain formal communication and links between the LD board and the Carers Service.

Action: Sam and Stuart to pull a meeting together to discuss carers

Sam

	<p>representation and formal links between the LD board and the Carers service.</p> <p>Discussion was held about getting people with learning disabilities to attend this meeting and making it a comfortable environment for them to feel confident and supported to be fully involved.</p> <p>Sally suggested that to increase the involvement with people with learning disabilities, we should think about a pre meeting and post meeting so that people are prepared to fully participate. It was suggested that the Inclusion sub group look at this.</p> <p>Cllr Desi suggested that it maybe useful to have a specific meeting for a specific subject so the agenda is not too long or confusing. To help people keep upto date with the action plan and to review any actions from the sub groups it was decided that the dates of the sub groups to be added into the minutes incase other people may want to attend the sub group meetings. Actions plans from the sub group also to be added to the minutes.</p> <p><u>Christmas celebrations</u></p> <p>RM – Angie suggested having an extra meeting as a Christmas get together. However RM explained that to get a venue and make sure everyone was free would prove difficult as ut was nearly Christmas. Instead, RM suggested that people could attend a free Christmas meal on the 14 December at Butlers Café in the Market Hall. Anyone wishing to attend please contact Rosemary. There are spaces for 30 people and transport will be provided.</p>	<p>Sam/Stuart</p> <p>Rosemary</p> <p>Rosemary/Angela</p>
4	<p><b>Update on the LD Action Plan</b></p> <p>Sub Groups –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Health – Cath Ganner (Community Nurse Specialist)</u></b></li> </ul> <p>Currently have had two meeting. Next one is 7<sup>th</sup> January 2014</p> <p>Discussed:</p> <p>Hospital passport – talked about what the Hospital passport and the importance of having one.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Inclusion – Rosemary Molyneux</u></b></li> </ul> <p>Has had two meeting, next one is in December and another one in January. See attached draft action plan. Anyone wishing to join this sub</p>	

group should talk to Rosemary or Kala.

Rosemary fed back that, at the first meeting they talked about what objectives the group wanted to achieve. They made a list of what people thought Involvement is e.g. feeling involved, feeling good about yourself, joining in and feeling welcome and equal. They looked at the learning disability partnership board action plan.

Activities and Social activities – people want to be able to attend activities and groups so they need to know when they are on and brief information on any social event.

The Inclusion group is also looking at Transport – Concerns were raised about not having taxis in the evening. Community transport is asking for people who want to be involved in a review of Community transport from now until the end of December. Stuart mentioned that whoever attends the Community Transport meeting should come back to the LD board meeting and feedback.

It was confirmed that the NOW cards were not being stopped and they are still live.

Nigel – said increasing the profile of the partnership board within the council is a priority.

Action plan – SMC and Cllr Khan – want to improve the profile of the board and its members. There are other boards that also need to be consulted with as well as LD board.

RM introduced Phyllis and Ann from the EISI Club which meets on a Wednesday evening. Discussed what events and activities are available, at the club and how to advertise and get the message out to people.

- **Personalisation – Paula Spence**


Pam Lally gave an update on behalf of Paula Spence.

Two meetings have been held, the next meeting is 17<sup>th</sup> December. It was disappointing that not many people with LD attended. Names are being taken if anyone else wishes to attend (see Pam Lally).

Pam said that at the meeting they looked at the action plan and delegated certain roles to people.

Myerscough College – Michael gave some information about this college and the course he is doing there. He will look into mentoring and provide some more information.

Advocacy – is an important issue in both subgroups - what is advocacy all about, has been asked.

	<p>Paula also has a draft action plan and information will be shared via the minutes of the meeting.</p> <p>Inclusion – Hear my Voice – there is a campaign going on and people with learning disability could be added.</p> <p>Nigel Braithwaite asked if the LD board have any surplus money that can be donated to help people to attend meeting etc. SMC said that this is being looked at.</p> <p>Sam Morris from Carers Service has a pot of money that can be put forward to support people to attend this meeting.</p> <p><b>Employment group – Graham</b></p> <p>Graham said, as this group is only just being set up meetings still have to be planned. We will hold a small group in the first instance and this can then grow after January. Graham requested for some volunteers to attend. Graham asked if anyone wished to attend to give names to Kala Green.</p>	
5	<p>Any other business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Review of Action plan 2015 – to discuss next meeting</li> </ul> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>carers rights day.pdf</p> </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Carers Rights Day –</li> <li>➤ Discussion had about Carers entitlement to free admissions to shows/theatres. Cllr Desi will look into this.</li> <li>➤ Blackpool Conference</li> </ul> <p>It was agreed that the names put forward to attend the conference in Blackpool be authorised. It was stipulated that whoever attended must come back to the LD board meeting and provide feedback from the Conference.</p> <p>It was suggested the planning of the Conference could be added to the agenda at the Inclusion or Personalisation sub meetings</p>	Rosemary/ Paula