




Learning Disability Partnership Board


Thursday 1st September 2022


Zoom



Minutes





1.1 People at the meeting	
Neil Adams	Speak Out Leader- young people
Clare Cleur	Commissioning
Russell Henke	Speak Out Leader - High Support Needs
Anne Hunt	Speak Out Leader - Fenland
Bill Jones	Speak Out leader-Cambridge and South Cambs
Elsbeth Jones	Speak Out Leader - Autism
Graham Lewis	Healthwatch
Kate Bunting	Voiceability
Michelle Mansfield	Independent member
Claire Mathieu	Voiceability
Assunta Genovese	Independent Member
Sean Nightingale	Speak Out Leader - East Cambs and Huntingdonshire
Gareth Peters	Learning Disability Partnership - CCC
Enzo Petrozziolo	Independent Member
Amanda Preston	Enabling Independence
Karen Berkley	Commissioning CCC/PCC
Ryan Witney-Hill	Commissioner CCG
Martine Simpson-Thomas	Preparing for Adulthood
Tiff Lane	Cambridgeshire Police
Kelly Law	Peterborough City Council
Hellen Kewley	Independent Member
Sarah Elwood	Commissioner CCG
Dennis Pinson	Independent Member
Lisa Town	Key worker
Marianne Atherton	Voiceability
Rebecca Ford	Nurse, LDPB, Cambridgeshire
Fay Boans	Commissioner
Victoria Guidersave	Key worker
Lewis Strong	Voiceability



<p>1.</p>		<p>Who couldn't come to the meeting today?</p> <p>John Brindell - Network Team Mark Mayes - Network Team Jason Merrill - Family Voice John Donnolly - Independent Member Debbie Drew - Independent Member Bianca Cotterill - Pinpoint / Independent Member Amanda Duffin - Integrated Care System Joseph Simon - Independent Member</p>
<p>2</p>	 	<p>What we have to say- independent members</p> <p># Carer needs a cataract operation, and it is preventing her from night driving, and this is beginning to affect her daughters' activities. Gareth: Contact Social Care if your needs are changing as a carer Gareth: Caring Together have 'What If' plans to support carers when Carers are not able to carry out the care of their cared for.</p> <p>#Cost of Living crisis</p> <p>#Cashless society, more services are only wanting payment by card, rather than cash. People may prefer to use cash as then they know exactly how much money they have.</p>
<p>3</p>	<p>The Speak Out Council Report</p>	<p>The Speak Out Council Presentation Highlights</p> <p>The Speak Out Council was congratulated for an excellent report.</p> <p>The High Support Needs Committee had identified problems with the Blue Badge application process for organisations.</p> <p>The Blue Badge is for people with disabilities who have limited mobility so that they can park nearer to where they need to be. A problem has been found when organisations who have a bus need a Blue Badge. The IT system has a fault, and the process has been changed. This has been raised with the Adult Social Care Forum.</p>

4	<p>The Network Team Report</p>	<p>The Network Team presentation Highlights</p> <p>The Partnership Board was pleased that the Lava Club had restarted in Peterborough. It had stopped because of the covid regulations, but now that the regulations have ended, life is returning to ‘normal’. People are able to socialise again.</p> <p>The Network Team were told that their report was an excellent report.</p>
5		<p>Update from the Learning Disability Partnership and SEND</p> <p>Martine from the Preparing for Adulthood Team has joined the Partnership Board. She is finding it interesting to hear what people are saying.</p> <p>Preparing for Adulthood is about working with young people aged 14-20, about what they want when it comes to health, employment and housing.</p> <p>They want to improve the outcomes for people.</p> <p>Gareth told us that the Integrated Care System (the NHS) are funding a nurse to work with them on the quality of health checks.</p> <p>Gareth said that counselling (a talking therapy) was now available in group settings through the IAPT service.</p> <p>The Councils are looking at respite provision – for both emergency situations and for regular stays.</p>

		<p>The Councils are also looking at Day Opportunities and Employment Pathways.</p>
<p>6</p>		<p>Advocacy</p> <p>Karen Berkley, Commissioner, told us about the Advocacy Service that is delivered by Voiceability for the Councils.</p> <p>The Councils are looking at the service and how it could be delivered differently in the future.</p> <p>Marion Atherton from Voiceability, explained what the Advocacy Service is.</p> <p>Advocacy is where an independent person helps support someone to understand their options when it comes to decisions that they need to make. The advocate helps the person to know their rights and ensure the person’s views are heard.</p> <p>There are two types of advocacy, Statutory and General Advocacy.</p> <p>Statutory Advocacy is where the law says you have a right to be supported. Examples of this could be about care assessments, where people who are in hospital due to mental ill health.</p> <p>General Advocacy is where the law doesn’t say you have a right to support, but that the person would like it.</p> <p>The eligibility criteria is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People with physical disability, learning disability, autism • People who are deaf • People who are 65+ • Carers <p># is the 0330 number free? MA calls are charged at local call rate</p> <p># Advocacy is really important to people in Peterborough, where Sarah Hillier is an advocate who supports people</p>

		<p>KB Advocacy will not disappear. KB current contract comes to an end in October 2023 and the Councils are working to commission a new service.</p> <p># Would people need to know what type of advocacy they need before contacting the service? MA The helpline would listen to what the person was saying and identify the type of advocacy that would be appropriate.</p> <p>Action: Commissioning to keep the Partnership Board updated on this process.</p>
7.		<p>Health Sub-group</p> <p>Wanted GPs to be told that some patients find it difficult to explain things on the phone. Not everyone can get online.</p> <p>EP said it would be good to know if GPs know about Easy Read?</p> <p>MST said that Annual Health Checks are a priority for the Preparing for Adulthood team.</p>
8.		<p>Updates from other meetings including Adult Social Care Forum</p> <p>The Adult Social Care Forum has been looking at feedback forms and letters, making them more accessible.</p> <p>Healthwatch's Health and Care Forums have been hearing about the Cambridge ME Support Group (ME is a health condition that makes people so tired that they cannot do much), Integrated Neighbourhoods, and about Macmillan.</p>
9.		<p>Our meetings in the future</p> <p>GL said that when we asked people's views on how our meetings should be held in future, there was a mixed response. Some people want to be in-person only, some</p>

	 	<p>want hybrid. Concerns were raised about venues and the technology to have hybrid meetings.</p> <p>GL there were 29 people at one point in today's meeting.</p> <p>MM finds it hard to be online only</p> <p>NA wants to keep safe, concerned if we are all together</p> <p>SN liked it at the Maple Centre</p> <p>EP prefers face to face</p> <p>MST said that the New Shire Hall has good facilities.</p> <p>It was agreed that meetings would be hybrid (some people attending the venue, some people attending online)</p>
10		<p>Priorities</p> <p>Members of the Partnership Board are concerned about 'cashless society' where people just use cards and apps on mobile phones to pay for things. Some people prefer to use cash as they know exactly how much money they have and what they have spent it on.</p> <p>Digital exclusion - there are courses in the libraries on how to use the apps on smartphones. Libraries may have 'digital buddies' volunteers who can help people.</p>
11		<p>Minutes of our last meeting (26th May 2022) and Action Log</p> <p>GL apologised that the minutes of the 26th May were not available and that the Action Log had not been updated.</p>

12		<p>AOB</p> <p>The Councils are wanting to hear what people think about how they are supported to get their voice heard. Surveys have been circulated for Peterborough and Cambridgeshire.</p>
13.		<p>Date of next meeting: Thursday 1st December 2022; 10.30 – 3pm</p> <p>Zoom</p> <p>Maple Centre, 6 Oak Drive Huntingdon PE29 7LB</p> <p>It will be Chaired by Bill Jones</p>