

Lambeth Learning Disability Partnership Board

September 15th at Lambeth Accord

People at the meeting

Zetty Angus, Lambeth service user

Claudia Aristide, Lambeth Leisure

Boz Borowy, Lambeth Mencap (Co-chair)

Jen Bellanich, Adult Learning Disability Team

Heather Blake, Lambeth PCT

Anne Bowman, Register services

Maggie Brennan, Lambeth service user

Beverly Brown, Lambeth Day services

Dana Brown, Lambeth service user

Jane Burnett, Lambeth College

Neil Burton, Service user rep (Co- chair)

Inga Clarke

James Clarke

Sydney Cort, Carer rep

Trevor Davis, Connexions

Billy Diamond

Tessy Egesi, Carer rep

Margaret Eynon, Service user rep

Wenda Gordon, Lambeth service user

Alison Hand, Adult Learning Disability Team

Derek Hill, Lambeth carer

Liz Lewiry

Rachel Martin



Robert Nichols, Service Manager for Adult Learning Disability Team
Simon O'Corra, People First
Denis O'Rourke, Lambeth PCT
Mr and Mrs Overton
Ivor Picardo
Debbie Phipps
Christina Praden, Lambeth service user
Rhys Price, People First
Ru Shakes, Lambeth service user
Joy Sleeman, Day services user involvement worker
Lorna Smith
Suzanne
Bob Stoneham
Terry Taylor
Francesca Valerio
Ann Worthington, Adult Learning Disability Team

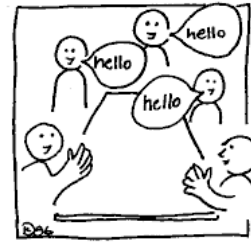
People who could not attend and sent their apologies

Juliet Amoa, Adult Learning Disability Team
Sheila Biddlecombe, Carer involvement worker
Tom Cullen, Partnership Board co-ordinator
Cllr Giess, Lambeth executive member
Chris Lee
Manyen
Barney Oliver
Manny Oraka, Service user rep
John Roog, Assistant Director for Mental Health and Learning Disability
Sabina, Lambeth service user
Mary Wells, Carer rep



1. Welcomes

Boz and Neil welcomed everyone to the Partnership Board



Boz Said that maybe some members of the Board would like to meet to look at the Terms of Reference (ToR). The Terms of Reference outlines what the Board does, how the Board should do it, who is on the Board and what their role is.

A group will meet to look at who is a member and who is a supporter.

ACTION 1: Dennis, Boz, Neil and Rhys agreed to look at this.

2. Action points from last meeting

1. The cultural diversity group have met
2. People First to follow up on when the modernising day services meeting meets so that we can support people with learning disabilities to attend. (People First and BSEC change group)
3. Alison Hand said that the housing group are meeting
4. Housing Training - Rhys, Simon, Alison and Chris have met and planned this. They hope this will begin soon, they can

report back at next PB. Direct Payments + Individualised budgets.

5. In Control Project: Robert will report back on this at the next meeting
6. Transport - We are waiting for Transport for London (TfL) to report back. Robert got a pack based around transport for People with learning disabilities + supporters - They are trying to order more copies and Robert wants to meet with the F.G to talk about how they could do more with this.
7. Education Sub Group - This group needs to be started. Robert said there are many opportunities to start this again soon. Sydney Cort asked if provision has been made to keep the day centres open when staff training is taking, rather than closing the centre, as happens now. Robert said he did not know if any provision had been made.
8. Joint Health and Social Services co-location - Robert said he didn't know when this would happen but that Social Services would move to Phoenix House in November

3. Public Questions

Complex needs

There was a question about People with complex needs "Are there any plans to open more day centres for people with complex needs".



Robert - There isn't but there is a plan to re-open BSEC complex needs services at another venue.

4. Feedback from Health Workshop



Health - How can we improve things for people with learning disabilities in health settings?

Dennis - We need a dialogue and good communication with hospitals

Liz - Issues from workshop where, people do not understand what is happening within health

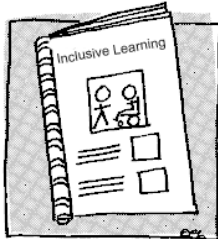


Dennis - Whole area of Health needs to be looked at. We need to focus on areas we can work on. Perhaps we need to focus on how the enhanced service is working.

ACTION 2 - Dennis will liaise with Robert and other colleagues to try to work out how to focus on improving the acute area. The board decided to focus on the enhanced service for GP's as helping improve how people are treated by their GP's is important.

5. High Support needs day presentation

Simon O'Corra gave a presentation on complex needs. In order to make services better for people who have high support needs we need to look at:



Person Centred Planning (PCP) - PCP Training for families is needed. Also joint PCP training with people with high support needs and staff is needed - How can we achieve this better?

Housing - Training for staff needed

Health - training for staff needed

Staff training - Training group provider forum

Advocacy - New contract for advocacy for people with high support needs.

Direct Payments - encourage Disability Advice Service Lambeth (DASL) to work with people with complex needs.

Communication - Communication sub group needs to be set up including people with high support needs.

Other areas that also need to be looked:

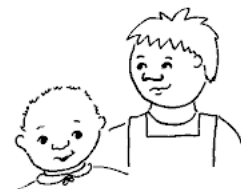
Education,



Transport,



and Transitions



6. Day Service Modernisation

Sue Joyce gave a presentation on what is happening to day services in the future



PREMISES BASED SERVICES

- Developing skills
- Group activities
- Offering services to "BSEC" users and people who are vulnerable, at risk or needing additional support
- Stepping stone to accessing community facilities and work and employment opportunities
- On-site access to Health and other professionals

DEVELOPING COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES



- Pilot scheme in Streatham Area to map community resources (including leisure facilities) and to evaluate suitability for PLD. Create capacity
- Set up a database of all community resources, leisure facilities and work and employment opportunities
- Exploring funding opportunities for users and carers to participate in the mapping and evaluation exercise
- Potential accommodation available in Streatham Youth and Community Trust premises

DIRECT PAYMENTS AND IN CONTROL

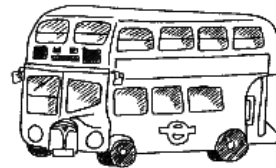


- Using DP to organise and purchase care, support, services and/or transport
- DP may be more suited to younger people
- Increases opportunities, promotes independence
- Prepares for the Green Paper opportunities

ESTABLISH A SOCIAL ENTERPRISE FOR A CATERING AND CONFERENCE SERVICE

- Partnership arrangements with Camden Society and others
- Creating training and employment opportunities
- Searching for suitable premises
- Indications from draft feasibility and business plan are positive

TRANSPORT AND TRAVEL



- Council contract expires March 2007
- Opportunities to design a flexible transport service more suited to the needs of people using the service
- Opportunities to maximise people independence and develop skills by travel and independence training
- Explore other options, Motability, travel buddies, supported travel

Currently there are no activities in the borough in the evening for People with Learning Disabilities. What can we do? Board to look at this at meeting.

7. Short Breaks



SUPPORTING FAMILY CARERS

Sue Joyce gave a presentation on short breaks in Lambeth.

Residential short breaks

- Southwood is moving to Warham Road on 3rd October
- The service will be closed for three weeks to get it ready and will open on 24th October
- It will provide up to 6 places
- There will be an open day on Saturday 22nd October from 2pm - 8pm

New residential short breaks service

- What we agreed at the partnership Board - we would ask the Council if we could have some of the money from the sale of Cumberlow/Southwood site to buy a new building to replace Warham Road, which would be nearer for carers and service users.

We are working with people in the Council's property services who will be writing a report to Executive Committee in November.

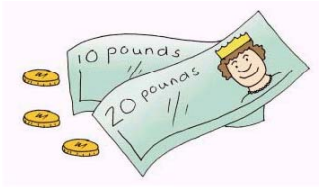
Other respite services

- We have agreed with Lambeth Mencap to put more money into the Home Placement Scheme



- They can now assess more paid carers who can provide short breaks for other carers on the scheme and family carers as an alternative to residential care.

8. Budget



Robert gave a short update on the Lambeth Learning Disability Budget situation. Currently Lambeth is overspending. This means that we are spending more money than we have. An update will be given at the January Partnership Board.

9. Any other business (AOB)



1. Payments to user and carer rep's

ACTION 3 - People First and Mencap to get together with Denis to discuss.

2. Anne Bowman, Register Services - People who register with register services will receive an "I count card" which will entitle people to discounts etc - this may encourage more people to register. Also 800 people are now registered, GP are working on this due to the enhanced service contract.

10. Next meeting

Next meeting will be on 17th November and will take place at Lambeth Accord in the large meeting room.



10.00 - 14.00

11. Future dates for your diary

Partnership Board 19th January 2006 Room 8 at the Town Hall

Partnership Board 16th March 2006 Room 8 at the Town Hall