

Lambeth Learning Disability Partnership Board

May 18th 2006

Room 8 Lambeth Town Hall

People who attended the meeting

Chris Lee, (Co Chair)

Wenda Gordon, (Co Chair)

Robert Nicholls, Learning Disabilities Service Manager

John Roog, Lambeth Adult and Community services

Boz Borowy, Lambeth Mencap

Debra Phipps, People First

Suzanne Rider, Service user rep

Juliet Amoa, Cultural Diversity champion

Andrew Preston, Provider forum rep

Terry Taylor, Service user rep

Rhys Price, People First

Sheila Biddlecombe, Lambeth Mencap

Sydney Cort, Carer rep

Derek Hill, Lambeth carer

Fran Pitcher, Learning Disability Team Commissioning

Beverly Brown, Learning Disability Team

Joan Smith, Learning Disability Team

Sue Culling, SLAM



Margaret Ashmead, Carer rep
Tom Cullen, Partnership Board co-ordinator
Martin Ward, Lambeth service user
Emma Bach, Occupational Therapist
Aysha Marshall, Occupational Therapy Technician
Kamilla Olsen, Physiotherapy
Ian Almond, Care manager
Marjorie Clarke, Lambeth carer
George Clarke, Lambeth carer
Jennifer Lambeth service user
Cllr Donatus Anyanwu
Dreenagh Lyle, Lambeth carer
Tessy Egesi, Lambeth carer
Gemma Lotfian, Southside Partnership
Jane Ingram, Southside Partnership

People who couldn't attend and send their apologies

Keith Posner, Employment Champion
Bernard Corless, Adult Learning
Jane Burnett, Lambeth College
Anne Bowman, Register Services
Denis O'Rourke, Primary Care Trust (PCT)
Mary Wells, (High support needs champion) Carer rep



Chris Lee and Wenda Gordon welcomed everyone to the May Partnership Board.

1. Matters arising

A. Carers reps

Carers have voted for three new carer reps.

This is the first time people have put themselves forward and there were around 60 votes for the carer reps.

The carers who received the most votes are:

- Mary Wells
- Sydney Cort
- Margaret Ashmead

Five carers were interested in becoming representatives and the carers wanted them all to be on the Board. It was therefore decided that there would be 5 carers on the Board.

Tessy Egesi and Georgina Imobeke will be the other two.

It was agreed that there should also be 5 service user reps.

Dreenagh Lyle, carer, will be the new High Support Needs Champion.

ACTION POINT 1 Friendly group to vote for two extra reps.

b. Councillor Donatus Anyanwu

Since the elections Lambeth has a new Councillor for Cold Harbour Lane.



The Board would like to thank Councillor Donatus Anyanwu for attending. He said he would try to commit to attending the Partnership Board as regularly as possible.

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c. Respite Care

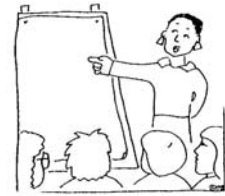
There is 2 million pounds for the development of a Respite Care service.

No building has been found as yet. Fran Pitcher and Sue Joyce are meeting with the Lambeth property Team

ACTION POINT 2: Respite Care update at the next meeting

d. Race awareness training

The Board has been asked to think about how they would want this to happen.



- Maybe after a Partnership Board meeting?
- Maybe a whole day event?

The Board would like race awareness training.

ACTION POINT 3: Juliet will work with the Lambeth training team and bring back an outline to the Board.

2. Action Points from the last meeting

ACTION POINT 1: Tom to collate Learning Disability Partnership Board and sub group contact list - Tom Cullen ✓

ACTION POINT 2: Developing services for older people with Learning Disabilities to be looked at at the Providers Forum - Andrew Preston (provider forum rep)

All providers are working together on a care policy in partnership with Social Services

ACTION POINT 3: Learning Disabilities and Older Persons forum to be set up - Robert Nicholls

Robert has contacted older persons to establish right person to lead.

ACTION POINT 4: Please contact Sheila directly with feedback, comments and ideas - The Board ✓

ACTION POINT 5: Contact Rhys at People First if you would like to attend any of the events - The Board ✓

ACTION POINT 6: John Roog to draft letter to the HSCP regarding integration, John will bring back to the Board at a future meeting - John Roog

The Health and Social Care Partnership asked for a report about the integration of Health and Social Services. A

response will be drafted and presented to the HSCP and the Partnership Board.

ACTION POINT 7: John Roog to give Abbevilles update at next meeting - John Roog

This is an ongoing issue. Abbevilles lost a contract with Lambeth council to provide catering in Lambeth Council buildings and we are trying to overturn this decision. A contracts officer is looking into this. Sub contracting Abbevilles is an option. Further updates will be given.

ACTION POINT 8: Partnership Board to write to the PCT regarding LDDF clarification - Robert Nicholls to draft

Robert has now met with the PCT (Primary Care Trust) about the transfer of LDDF monies to Lambeth. More meetings have been set up and there will be an update at a future meeting.

3. Public Questions

1. Who will occupy the 47 places for complex high care needs in the Landmark building when it opens in September? What programme of activities is planned for them? Who will manage? Who will staff?



Response: Staff restructuring has just started. More information will be given at the next meeting.

ACTION POINT 4: Day Services update paper at next meeting

2. Carers have heard that there may be cuts in places for people with learning disabilities and already some people have less days at college. They would like to know what the plans are for courses for people with learning disabilities at Lambeth College and whether this meets their needs?

Bernard and Jane responded to the Carer forum

All Education issues need to be fed through the Education sub group

ACTION POINT 5: Admission criteria for courses to be clarified by Lambeth College.

3. We would like some information on the closure of the Parents group. The funding has stopped and the group is not running any more. Also are there any other parent groups?

- *Parents group ran for six years*
- *The group worked with and helped around 40 families*

- *A report recently said that 40% - 60% of children with parents who have Learning Disabilities and don't get support are put into care*
- *Children Services stopped funding*

Children and Families and Adults services need to work closer around this issue. Robert said Adults services are happy to do this.

4. Funding for User and Carer Involvement finishes in June we would like to know what is happening?

Robert will come back to Lambeth Mencap and People First at the end of the month about this. No decision can be made as yet.

4. Term's of Reference (ToR)

Copies of the old ToR were provided for info.

The ToR is out of date and needs to be updated. Ideas from the planning day will be used and a new ToR will be presented at the next meeting.

ACTION POINT 6: Boz, Rhys and Robert will meet to update and will bring to the next meeting.

5. Physical Intervention

Joan Smith, Martin Ward, Tessy Egesi and Dreenagh Lyle presented the Physical Intervention Policy.



The Physical Intervention policy looks at the right way's to work with vulnerable people who may be at risk of hurting them selves or other people.



The policy talks about:

- Rules for staff
- Service user views and advice for staff
- The law

The presentation raised allot of questions:

How do we get people and organisations to stick to the rules?



- Work closely with people's care plans
- Providers should sign up to the policy
- Staff training - through the Providers Forum
- Audits - Looking at ways of auditing. Providers and Care Management to look at ways of auditing.

Some concerns:



Within day services male's helping male's is not always possible due to the lack of male's within the industry. Also with sleep ins there is only one member of staff so this may be an impossibility?

In a physical intervention situation we would prefer males working with males and females working with females due to the difference of size. But this is a guideline and there will be times when this is not possible.

Difficult to get a GP if needed after an incident. Normally if someone needs medical attention they are taken to the nearest A and E department.

What is the policy for Physical Intervention out and about?

More discussion is needed.

What about agency and voluntary staff?

Training will be provided to key staff members.

What happens next?

- Legal have approved the Physical Intervention Policy.
- Now we need to make sure people use the guidelines.
- The Board endorse the Policy.

ACTION POINT 7: Joan to bring detailed policy to the next Partnership Board.

6. Jennifer's Story: My mobility scooter

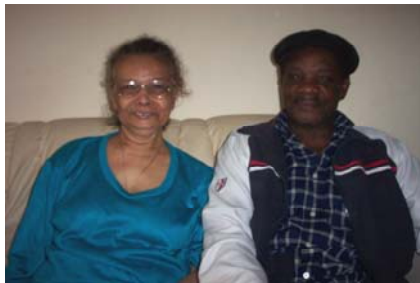
Jennifer,



Emma,



Marjorie and George,



Aysha,



Ian



and Kamilla



Gave the Board a presentation about Jennifer getting a mobility scooter.

Jennifer wanted to get a mobility scooter so she could be more independent.

In order to help Jennifer get her scooter there was:

- Joint work between health and social services
- Positive Risk Management (PRM)
- Using a client-centred approach

Jennifer and everyone helping had to:

- Look at funding
- Buy a scooter
- Find the right scooter
- Do road safety assessment and training

Now Jennifer has her scooter and is able to get out and about, go shopping in Brixton and go swimming.

Please contact Emma if you would like any further information

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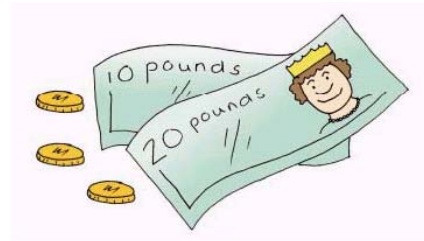




- The Board would like to thank Jennifer, her parents Marjorie and George, Emma, Aysha, Ian and Kamilla for all their work and sharing their story.
- It is great to see a positive story in Lambeth.
- Positive Risk Management (PRM) was one of the first Strategies to be endorsed by the Partnership Board and its good to see PRM working in Lambeth.

7. Budget

Robert Nicholls gave a presentation on the Learning Disabilities budget.



Council's across the UK are spending more.

Why is this happening?

- A lot more people need support
- More people with high support needs
- Preserved rights
- Hospital closure
- No real increase in NHS spend
- Some double-counting - S31 and S28a included in council and NHS figures

Adult and Community Services spend 21.4 million pounds a year on Learning Disability services

We estimate that there will be an overspend of around 400000 - 1 million pounds.

Course of action?

- Changes need to made
- Individualised budgets
- Reduce high cost residential care placements

ACTION POINT 8: We will keep the Board informed and provide an update report so the Board can understand the financial pressures.

8. Partnership Work Plan

Frances Pitcher gave an update on the Partnership work plan.

The big things that are happening in Lambeth

- Change day and respite services
- Better planning for people from Children's to Adults services.
- Promote equalities and diversity
- More support to carers and people with learning disabilities to stay in their own homes



What we have done

- Increased direct payments
- New advocacy service with Advocacy Partners
- Increased number carers on Home Placement Scheme
- Money for a new local respite unit
- New contracts for Community Support service
- Opened new housing with support services
- Money for new day services building at Landmark
- More people in supported employment
- Health and Social Services in the same building



What to do next?



- New Partnership Board Work Plan 2006-2008
- Include new things we should be doing
- Where more work needs to be done
- Present at next Partnership Board
- Other things you feel are important that need to be included

Please feed back any comments to Fran:

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ACTION POINT 9: Draft work plan for 2006 -2008 to be presented at the next meeting

9. Sub group bullet Points



All sub groups provided information on what they do and what projects they are currently doing.

An updated report will be done with the Complex needs and Communications group included.

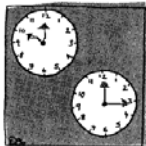
10. Any Other Business (AoB)

1. The SLAM team have relocated to Phoenix House. The web site is being updated and the team will be writing to carers and service users.
2. Sue Culling would like to thank the Carers forum for meeting to discuss the Foundation Trust application. Their comments were passed forward to SLAM.

ACTION POINT 10: Sue will provide an update on the Foundation Trust application at the next meeting.

11. Next meeting

Tea and coffee from 10.00 and the meeting starts at 10.30



10.30 - 1.00



20th July 2006

In room 8 at Lambeth Town Hall