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Introductions and previous minutes
John welcomed everyone and asked people to introduce themselves. John then recapped the previous minutes:

Matters arising

Carers Strategy
Danielle Mussell gave her apologies for today meeting. The Carers Strategy will now be discussed at the March meeting.

Learning Disability Needs Assessment and Learning Disability Strategy - Adam Russell

Adam gave a talk on the work going on to develop a new Learning Disability Strategy. The new strategy will be a framework that can change and be adapted to meet changing demands and circumstances. It will look forward at least 10 to 15 years and will seek to demonstrate how we value people.

It will concentrate on the outcomes that people with Learning Disabilities want to have in their lives.

It will have five key themes;
- Where do I live? – including supported living
- What do I do during the day? – including employment opportunities
- Active citizenship – daily living and engaging with the community
- Health – including dementia, healthy diets, access to primary care
- Better services and systems – how the council and others can work better

There will be a key role for the Learning Disability Board. The Board will be expected to challenge partners on what progress they are making to deliver the aims of the strategy. Adam said that there would be training developed to help the Board gain the skills they need to be able to do this.

The strategy is expected to be agreed by May 2018

There will be some engagement events;
One for professionals on January 24
One for providers on February 22
Plus another for carers and people with LD (date to be agreed)

Adam will issue drafts of the main strategy themes before these events so that people can comment on them.

Adam will also send out the draft Learning Disability Needs Analysis that has been written. Board members will be able to comment on this and say if there are any gaps in it. Data in the strategy will be updated every two years so that decisions will be made against repayable up to date information.

**Sustainability and Transformation Plan**- Adam Russell

Adam will write a written update to the board on Suitability and Transformation Plan.

**Herefordshire Fire and Rescue, Home Fire Safety Checks**- Lisa Byrne

Lisa explained that Herefordshire and Worcester Fire Rescue service offer free Fire Home Safety Checks and Safe and Well Checks to anyone who is over 18 and is considered vulnerable.

The checks make sure you have working fire alarms and a escape plan in case of an emergency.

To arrange a free home safety check please contact the Community Risk team via the [on-line form](#) or call 0800 032 1155 for advice.

**Transforming Care – an update**- John Burgess

John Burgess gave an overview of Transforming Care Programme.

The Transforming Care Programme aims to improve the services for people with learning disabilities and/or autism who exhibit challenging behaviour or mental health problems. Transforming Care is led by NHS England.
Since the Winterbourne scandal a Serious Case Review had identified organisational and commissioning failings including poor training, high staff turnover and a lack of oversight.

In 2014 a report; ‘Winterbourne View - Time for Change’ by Sir Stephen Bubb recommended that:

- People should be held to account
- Build more capacity within the community
- People should have the right to challenge admission or continued placement in hospital.

John explained that people were being left in hospital for over a year with no review of their carer needs. Improvements as part of the Transforming Care plan include:

- The CQC had been given enforcement to powers to shut down under performing hospitals
- Better person centred care and support
- Better training for Staff in the local authority and health
- Extended bed services, crisis support
- Improved Positive behavioural Support.

The full presentation will be sent out as an attachment with the minutes.

With Regards to reducing the number of hospital placements locally the aim is to reduce the number of impatient beds by 50% by March 2019. Currently there are 2 CCG funded beds and 3 NHS England funded beds.

John also noted that there had been no new impatient bed admissions in 2017 so far.

**Learning Disability Mortality Review Program (LeDeR)**- John Burgess

The Learning Disability Mortality Review program sets out to reduce the 20 year life expectancy gap between people with a learning disability and the general population. The programme is by Bristol University and sponsored by NHS England. Any death from the age of 4 onwards is investigated.

A local area contact will review the deceased’s healthcare notes and coroner’s report and feed this information to Bristol University’s national database for analysis. Any trends can then be identified and recommendations can then be made to the government or local authority.

**A.O.B**

Herefordshire’s NAS group is holding a What is Autism? event on the 29th of March at the Saxon Hall to coincide with Autism Awareness week.

Mary Simpson said Healthwatch was in the process of consulting on the new Social Care Pathway. The Pathway will show people how they can access the health
services they need through Adult social care. The consultation should happen around March / April 2018.

All Interactive, which is part of the Marches Family Network, is creating a provision of various providers that hold accessible activities for disabled people and young people. For details see the flyer attached.

Worcester Warriors have set up a mixed ability rugby team for anyone over 17 in Herefordshire. The team meets every Tuesday from 10am-11:30am at the Greyhound RFC, Hereford Sports Club, Grandstand road, HR4 9NG. For more information see the flyer attached.

NEXT MEETINGS (all at Herefordshire Council Offices, Plough Lane, Hereford)

- 13th March 2018 10am-12pm - Bromyard and Sutton Room
- 12th June 2018 10am-12pm, Bromyard and Sutton Room
- 18th September 2018 10am-12pm, Bromyard and Sutton Room
- 11th December 2018 10am-12pm, Bromyard and Sutton Room

Actions from the meeting

- Adam Russell: to write a written update to the board on Suitability and Transformation Plan.
- Adam Russell to send out a draft version of the Learning Disability Needs Analysis to the board.
- Adam will send out the details of the upcoming Learning Disability Strategy Engagement events.
- John Burgess: to send the Transforming Care Presentation to Paul and John who will then circulate to the board.