Learning Disability Partnership Board

13/06/17 - Fownhope and Mordiford Room, Plough Lane

Attending;

Name	Organisation
Rose Hunt	Herefordshire Mencap
Tracey Roberts	Our News Our Views
Debbie Hobbs	HVOSS
Ian Harper	Aspire
Barbara Brown	Aspire
Jan Perridge	Ignite CIC
Rob Gorle	ACSYL
Gill Gorle	ACSYL
David Davies	Ategi Shared Lives Manager
Jane McGlone	Parent
Fiona Richie	Echo
Nicky Symonds	Parent
Judith Loveridge	Herefordshire Carers Support
Sharon Colley	2Gether
Mary Simpson	Healthwatch Herefordshire
Kate Layton	Herefordshire Council Senior Admin/ Project Officer
Gwen Ellison	Herefordshire Council Health Improvement Specialist (Adult and Wellbeing)
Laura Tyler	Herefordshire Council Adult Social Care Commissioning Manager
Laura Ferguson	Herefordshire Council Senior Commissioning Officer (Adult Wellbeing)
Paul Williamson	Herefordshire Council Transport Co-ordinator (Public Transport)
John Gorman	Herefordshire Council Commissioning (Adult Wellbeing)
Carla Preston	Herefordshire Council Engagement Lead
Adam Russell	Herefordshire Council Senior Commissioning Officer
Paul Choppen	Herefordshire Council Partnership Board Assistant

Apologies

Rosie Wooderson	HAT	Affinity Trust
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Minutes

Introductions and previous minutes

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

Matters arising

Prevent: Neville Meredith was unable to make the meeting. Paul will ask Neville if he wants to do the Prevent presentation at the next board meeting on 26th of September.

Carers Strategy: Carla explained that a Carers Strategy was being developed following engagement with carers. This will be presented to councillors (through Cabinet) in July for approval.

There are two meetings/workshops arranged: Monday, 3 July and Monday 24th July, from 2-4pm. Anyone who is an unpaid carer and is interested in getting involved is advised to get in touch with Carla – 01432 260098 or cpreston@herefordshire.gov.uk.

Diabetes Prevention Programme- Gwen Ellison and Kate Layton

Kate and Gwen explained that 2 years ago Herefordshire was chosen as 1 of the 7 pilot sights for the National Diabetes Prevention Programme. Public Health England commissioned Reed Momenta to deliver a programme to support people over the age of 18 who are at risk of developing diabetes.

People are referred to the programme by their GPs. The programme consists of 18 sessions each an hour long over 9 months. This includes 6 weeks sessions, 6 fortnightly and 6 monthly sessions. The aim of the sessions is to train people to live a healthier lifestyle. There is funding for this programme till March 2018.

For more information visit click here:

Active-Here- Jan Perridge

Active-Here helps signpost people to local activities they can do to help maintain a healthy lifestyle. The service has been running for 18 months and is backed by Sport England. As well as conventional sports actives such as walking netball, walking rugby and walking football are also offered. They follow up with participants after 3,6 and 12 weeks. They currently have 15 months of funding to go.

For more information please contact

Sarah Volpe – Active HERE Coordinator

Telephone: 07496197335. Email: sarah@ignite-cic.co.uk

You can also visit their Facebook page here:

There is also a gateway number which people can phone which is manned by the Healthy Lifestyle Trainer Service – 01432 3835676

Brandon Trust Update- Laura Ferguson

Laura explained that Brandon Trust had a 3 year contract with Herefordshire Council to deliver day activities across Herefordshire till September 2017. Earlier this year they gave notice that they were going to terminate their contract early. Over the past few months Laura has been working to find providers to take over the running of the day activities across the county that Brandon Trust will cease to run.

Aspire was given a 18 month contract to run the day activities at St Owens from mid May 2017. They will also take over running the day activities at Widemarsh Childrens Centre on the 1st of July.

Echo Projects will take over the running of the day activities run in the north of county including Marshfields in Leominster.

Salters Hill has taken over the running of the day activities run in the south of the county from Ryefields in Ross.

ACSYL - A circle surrounding you for life

Rob and Gill Gorle told the meeting about the work they do with ACSYL. They aim to connect people at risk of being isolated back into society by creating a small circle of long term friendships and connections. ACSYL is particularly keen on ensuring that people have a voice and they have been working with VoiceAbility who specialise in giving people with Learning Disabilities a voice. ACSYL attended a workshop run by VoiceAbility which explored different ways of communication and the use of technology. More information about VoiceAbility can be found here https://www.voiceability.org/

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Commissioning Plans - Adam Russell

Adam explained that he had been asked to create a Commissioning Strategy for Learning Disabilities.

He has identified a three stage process. First he is working on a joint learning disability strategic needs assessment for both adults and children. This will contain all of the facts and figures needed to help people to commission new services and to identify where are there are gaps in services.

Second, he will produce a strategy that will cover a range of topics including housing, day activities, employment and health

The third stage will be to establish what the role of the LDPB will be in managing this strategy and making sure it progresses.

Adam said that the key messages are;

The strategy needs to be owned by the Board.

The strategy needs to be co-produced in conjunction with the Board.

The strategy needs to focus on outcomes

The strategy will be in place by the end of the year.

It was agreed that the strategy will be a standing item on future agendas

Transport / Bus Passes - Paul Williamson

Paul explained that the Council follows the English National Travel Scheme Passes are free and travel is free

There are 32,000 passes in Herefordshire and around 400 have been issued to people with disabilities

Passes can be applied for online or via appointments at Franklin House – call 01432 260005 for more information

Paul said that applications for passes from disabled people now go through an Independent Medical Advisory Board (not local GPs). The Board make the decision as to whether a pass is issued or not.

The Meeting asked whether an easy read version of the form can be made available There was a discussion regarding the problems that some people with LD have experienced regarding getting passes renewed. It was agreed that;

ACTION POINTS – everyone with examples of issues and problems experienced in getting asses renewed to send them to John Gorman

The LDPB will then write to Paul to raise concerns and to outline some possible solutions

The LDPB will also look at drawing up an easy read version of the application form which Paul would be able to send to the Advisory Board to see if they would be happy to use it.

AOB

Halo are running a new weekly exercise programme called Wiggle It - starts June 26 at 1.30 Paul Choppen has circulated copies of the poster – here is pdf version



Healthwatch have their Annual conference on the 4th of July from 1-4pm. The conference will be held at the Shire Hall, St Peter's Square, Hereford, HR1 2PH. They are asking people for views on what should be priority areas of work for the coming 12-24 months. You can complete a priorities survey by clicking the link here:

http://surveygizmo.com/s3/3544006/2017-19-Priorities-for-HWH

NEXT MEETINGS

- 26 September 10-12pm Bromyard and Sutton Room, Herefordshire Council Offices, Plough Lane, Hereford,
- 5 December 10-12pm Fownhope and Mordiford Room, Herefordshire Council Offices, Plough Lane, Hereford,
- 13 March 10am-12pm Bromyard and Sutton Room, Herefordshire Council Offices, Plough Lane, Hereford
- 12th June 10am-12pm, Bromyard and Sutton Room, Herefordshire Council Offices, Plough Lane, Hereford
- 18th September 10am-12pm, Bromyard and Sutton Room, Herefordshire Council Offices, Plough Lane, Hereford
- 11th December 10am-12pm, Bromyard and Sutton Room, Herefordshire Council Offices, Plough Lane, Hereford