



Learning Disability Partnership Board

Meeting #4 – 15th October 2024

Online only

Easy Read Minutes

Welcome and introductions.

- UM admitted participants from the lobby one by one and greeted them.
- UM sent apologies on behalf of GDM who was late due to medical reasons.
- There were many new faces attending the meeting, all professionals.
- Members shared that the online format was not very comfortable.
- The whole group agreed that meeting online is not a good option and it is not suitable for people with learning disability and their carers

Actions: GDM to explore how to source suitable venues to host the meetings in future.

Community activities at the libraries – Calendar of possible activities and suitable alternatives

- UM introduced a draft calendar of activities created in partnership with the library network to provide volunteer-led activities at the local libraries.
- The draft calendar was presented to the group for discussion and shared on screen.
- There was some positive feedback about the proposed activities.
- Group members noted that no physical activity was present, and these should be considered too.
- Overall, the group welcomed the calendar very positively and look forward to the date these activities will commence
- GDM joined the meeting later and explained that the Council is looking at sourcing physical and wellbeing activities and a separate discussion is taking place with Public Health.
- Although activities were very welcome, it was noted that more feedback need to be gathered from people with learning disability and their carers.

- Discussion has taken place on how to promote activities and knowledge among the community, and several proposals were made.
- The group feels positive about starting at least some of these activities in January.

Actions: GDM to find alternative ways to gather feedback directly from the autistic community

Tea Break

Task and Finish groups – Booking dates for meetings

- A summary of the task and finish groups that are to start was made by GDM and leadership of each group confirmed.
- The first group to start will be the Safe in the community group lead by NS from R.E.A.C.H. and KB from Thames Valley Police.
- The group will link directly with the Safeguarding Partnership Board and will focus on developing learning opportunities about safety and abuse for vulnerable people in easy-to-read format
- Additionally, the group will explore how to revamp and repurpose the safe in the community badge to have safe spaces in the town centre. Matrix will support with this task.
- It has been agreed that a date will be booked by end of November to start with the planning.
- The second and third group to start are Activities in the community, which will oversee the activity calendar and offer ideas and initiatives for more community participation, and the right accommodation and support led by the co-chair of the group.
- The right accommodation and support will focus on improving the quality of care services for Learning Disability in Slough and will link with Quality Assurance and Healthwatch to carry out informal visit to providers to offer support and advice and share best practice.
- These two groups too will start before Christmas.
- The other three groups will start in the new year and will be dedicated to integration of Health and Social Care, and transition to adulthood

Actions: GDM to link with group leaders to book suitable date and organise venue.

Agenda Items for next meeting

- All members of the group seem to agree on the need to look at the action plan during next meeting and track progress.
- It has been suggested that a risk rating matrix is created to monitor delivery of the action plan.

- It has also been suggested that responsible persons and roles are put against every action so to have someone to ask explanations and updates about progresses.

Actions: GDM to start email circulation to agree agenda items for next meeting