



Calderdale Learning Disabilities Partnership Board

Minutes of Meeting held on the 7th April 2016 At Shibden Mereside

Partnership Board Members

Mildred Smith – Co-Chair
Yvonne McGee – Self Advocate
Malcolm Burnside – Self-Advocate
Karen Midgley – Commissioning
Manager
Zena Elmy - Parent
Doreen Davis -Parent
Derek Davies – Parent
Christine Clarke – Parent
David Peck -Parent
Jayne Crane - Parent
Glenn Swindells – Calderdale
Council
Julie Chadwick – SWYPFT
Tim Ham – Creative Support
Liz Fielden - Parent
Michael Mitchell – Self Advocate
Sarah Mitchell – Self Advocate
Mark Wibsey – Creative Minds
Tina Brayshaw – Calderdale Council

Partnership Board Support

Daniel Crampton – Lead the Way
Karen Graham – Lead The Way
Chris Scheller – Lead the Way

Presenters and Visitors

Emma Welsh – Calderdale Advocacy
Ian Gledhill – Calderdale Council

Who Couldn't Come

Paul Howarth – Self Advocate
Sue Cordingley – Pennine Magpie
Dean Lister – Calderdale Council
Pippa Corner – Calderdale Council
Marion Belshaw – Self Advocate
Jackie Dolman – Cloverleaf
Advocacy

Welcome and Introductions

Mildred welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Everyone said their name.

Minutes from Last Meeting

Mildred asked if everybody had seen the minutes from the last meeting. These were agreed.

Voting Rights

Ian Gledhill came to talk to the Partnership Board about voting. Ian can attend local events and groups to talk about voting and why this is important. Information can be given in different ways including easy read.

Jayne Crane said the reason her son does not vote is not understanding and not wanting to do the wrong thing. Service providers need reminding about the importance of voting. Further work needs to be done around this.

Gateway to Care can take people to vote with 95% of polling stations having disabled access.

Self-Advocacy Update

Self-Advocates attended a 'Promote the Vote' event. They were shown how a polling station is set out, what a voting paper looks like and about the importance of voting. Self-advocacy has been very busy during the last few months. We've joined in with lots of things on the agenda today.

One thing self-advocates want to highlight is that we have been planning how to decide what to work on in 2016. Our plan so far has been...

In 2014 – To encourage new members by doing lots of campaigning - in the UK and abroad. We did this working on "Our voices Our choices Our freedom" and the LB campaign.



In 2015 – To look at joining in more with other local groups and teams around Calderdale. We did this by working with VAC, Lead the way and Engagement Champions also by supporting the changes in the Social Work teams and in Making it Real.

In 2016 – This year we want to focus on getting more people involved in our self-advocacy groups by meeting more people who might join us. There is so much to do we need more people!

So we have been looking at a publicity plan and we need your help. If anyone can invite us to their group or meeting where we can meet people who would come to self-advocacy - or people who work with people who might come to self-advocacy even - please let us know.

Lead the Way Update



Lead the Way held an employment event at 3ways. Self-advocates, parent/carers, Calderdale Council and Calderdale CCG attended. The aim of the event was to showcase people's abilities and the benefits to employers.

Mandy Whalley talked about Employment Passports and how this had helped her son into employment.

Alison Thwaite from Work Fit talked about the work that she was doing with the Downs Syndrome Association.

Charlotte and Mildred shared their personal story of being employed and what it meant to them.

7 GPs have had the training and all have been contacted, the feedback we have received has been very positive. The life coach group has finished with roughly 15 people attending every week with very positive feedback.

It's my Health Day – Transforming Care Event



This event is to take place at the Village Hotel, Tingley, Leeds on the 25th May. You need to book a place. The event is about Transforming Care. The event is 10.00 a.m. - 3.00 p.m.

Peer Review



Please see attached report.

Calderdale Advocacy Service



From the 1st April 2016 Cloverleaf Advocacy were successful with their tender for the Advocacy contract. Calderdale Advocacy will be based at Centre at 3Ways, providing statutory Advocacy (IMHA, IMCA, Care Act). Emma Welsh distributed business cards and leaflets with their contact details.

Mystery Shopper



People with Learning Disabilities were asked to look at services in other Local Authorities and comment how accessible their information, customer services and websites are. Calderdale were one of the only areas to participate. This will happen again at the end of the year. The report shows very positive results.

Discuss in June

Stay Up Late Survey



Want to find out if people with a Learning Disability can stay up late. Going out after 10.00 p.m. is a big issue and people with a Learning Disability not having enough support to go out. The plan is to make up a step by step guide. More information available www.stayuplate.com

Any Other Business

Learning Disabilities week is W/C 20th June and is around friendships. The LDPB were asked to think about what they would like to do. It was suggested and agreed to hold a coffee, cake and chat event.



Mark Wibsey from South West Yorkshire Partnership Foundation Trust talked to us about a project called Creative Minds. They are interested in peer led groups and activities, it is also nationally recognised after winning an award. If you have any ideas contact Mark on 01924 327567 creativeminds@swyt.nhs.uk

Next Meeting

16th June 2016



10.00 am – 1.00 p.m.



Shibden Mereside