

**Stoke-on-Trent Learning Disability Partnership Board  
Summary and Actions from the Partnership Board Meeting on Monday 23 May 2011**

| <b>Item / What We Said</b>  | <b>Action / Outcome</b>   |
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| <b>Catch Up on Actions / What's Happened Since the Last Meeting</b>                         |   |
| <b>Reach Response to City Council Budget Proposals / News About the City Council Budget</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Action:</b> Celia Challis will send out answers to the questions Reach members asked at the February meeting.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>NHS Stoke on Trent Annual Operating Plan</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Action:</b> Kevin Day will share full details of the PCT's plans when they are available.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Health and Wellbeing Board</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The City Council and partners are setting up a new Health and Wellbeing Board. The Board will bring together and coordinate priorities.</li> <li>○ The old Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board is no longer meeting.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Partnership Board Regional Events</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Any information received about regional events will be shared.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Learning Disability Strategy Launch Event</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ More details at the next meeting.</li> </ul>   |

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| <b>GP Commissioning Consortium</b>                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Kevin Day has talked about learning disability priorities and the Partnership Board with Dr Bartlam, the head of the Stoke-on-Trent GP Commissioning Consortium.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Good Health Sub-Group</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Janet Beech, Healthcare Facilitator, has agreed to lead the Good Health Group.</li> <li>○ The group will start up again quite quickly. New terms of reference and a meeting schedule will be sent out as soon as possible.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Health Assessment Framework</b>                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ For this year's Health Assessment Framework a group of people will come to Stoke-on-Trent for 3 days in October. They will look at a lot of information about services, talk to people who use services and carers and write a report about what they think.</li> <li>○ Joint Commissioning Unit will work with people who provide services to make sure we have all the information we need.</li> <li>○ Other assessments will take place at the same time as the Health Assessment. These will be on Mental Health, Dementia Services and Care of vulnerable adults in general acute hospitals.</li> <li>○ There is a booklet which sets out the health standards for people with learning disabilities</li> <li>○ <b>Action: Celia Challis will send out a (scanned) copy. There will be more information at the next meeting</b></li> </ul> |

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| <b>Update on Community Development Workers and Fulfilling Lives</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Chris Morton talked about the work of the Community Development Workers and what's happening in Fulfilling Lives.</li> <li>○ <b>Action: Chris Morton to forward a report on the Able Project to Celia Challis to be available for circulation.</b></li> <li>○ The Community Development Workers will give a presentation at the next Partnership Board meeting.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>JSNA Accessible Version</b>                                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The Learning Disability and Summary chapters of the new JSNA are now available in clear words and pictures.</li> <li>○ This builds on the good practice Stoke-on-Trent established in 2009 when the first JSNA was put into accessible format and promoted as good practice nationally.</li> <li>○ The City Council and Public Health will publicise the accessible version.</li> <li>○ The 2 chapters are also available on the LDPB Website at <a href="http://www.equalpeopleinstoke.org/default.aspx?page=25305">http://www.equalpeopleinstoke.org/default.aspx?page=25305</a> They will soon be available on the City Council website.</li> </ul> |

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| <b>Anything Else? / Learning Disability Development Fund</b>        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ We talked about what has happened to the Learning Disability Development Fund.</li> <li>○ In April 2008, the Learning Disability Development Fund, along with other funds, was paid to councils as part of the Area Based Grant.</li> <li>○ In 2010, the Coalition Government said that the money in the Area Based Grant has to be part of the council's main funding. This means that we have to fight very hard to get things prioritised and have to make sure that people in the council realise how important it is to pay for things for people with learning disabilities and carers.</li> </ul> |
| <b>2011 – 12 Partnership Board Annual Report</b>                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ We have to get a lot of facts and figures for this year's annual report.</li> <li>○ Joint Commissioning Unit will work with people who provide services to collect the information.</li> <li>○ The annual report has to be sent in by 29 July. Partnership Board will see the report before we send it in at the meeting on 25 July.</li> <li>○ The Department of Health will publish the results later in the year. We will be able to check how we are doing against other places.</li> </ul>  |

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| <b>Things We Need to Know About</b>                                 |  |
| <b>'giving us a voice' – National Charter for Inclusion</b>         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ “Giving us a Voice” was an 18 month England-wide project undertaken by Mencap, Bild and ARC to involve people from minority ethnic communities with learning disabilities, their families and carers in shaping what they need and expect from services.</li> <li>○ The National Charter for Inclusion is the result of information gathered at nine regional meetings held from November 2010 to February 2011 which involved people with learning disabilities, carers and professionals from both Health and Social care.</li> <li>○ Mencap, Bild and Arc want Social Services Departments, health trusts and service providers to sign up to the National Charter for Inclusion.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Carers Update / Young People Admitted to Inappropriate Wards</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Julie Roberts said that parent carers of young people, aged over 18, with learning disabilities are concerned that they are being admitted to hospital wards that do not meet their needs when they are admitted from A&amp;E.</li> <li>○ She said that that she will talk to parent carers to find out if this sort of thing happens a lot and to the UHNS Steering Group.</li> <li>○ Julie Roberts will bring an update to the next Partnership Board meeting.</li> </ul>   |

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| <b>Carers Update / People with Learning Disability Who Do Not Access Services</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Julie Roberts said that North Staffs Carers Association want to find out about people with learning disability who do not access services – especially those who are looked after by older carers – to ask them to make sure that plans are in place for the future.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Carers Update / Direct Payments</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Irene Abbotts talked about a4e, the organisation that now looks after people's Direct Payments. She said that some carers are concerned about sending information to a4e because they do not hear anything back.</li> <li>○ <b>Action: Amanda Lovatt will find out what is happening and let Irene know.</b></li> </ul> |
| <b>Reach / Sentinel Report on Abuse</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Reach MPs want to know how the Partnership Board can make sure people are safe and get quality care and support in residential homes.</li> <li>○ Adult Social Care is very serious about keeping people safe. There are lots of things in place to help keep people safe.</li> </ul>                                    |

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| <b>Reach / Being Part of the Community</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Reach MPs had written a report about being part of the community. The report was the result of work done at the Parliament meeting in April. Reach MPs created 2 people who had a busy life and did lots of activities in their community.</li> <li>○ At the end of the exercise Reach asked members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– is this realistic?</li> <li>– is this like your life or the lives of your friends?</li> <li>– how can things be made better?</li> <li>– how different are things now to how they used to be</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Reach MPs had 2 questions for Partnership Board. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– How can people get more information and support to be more a part of their community?</li> <li>– How can people in Stoke on Trent get a personal budget?</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

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| <b>Reach / Case Studies</b>         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Reach MPs had written a report about 2 real life experiences of 2 people who live in Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire. The people shared their experiences with Reach.</li> <li>○ Case Study One was called ‘My Friend was moved and I don’t know why’. This was about ‘Michael’ and ‘Philip’ who shared a house and had support from social care staff. Philip went away. No one told ‘Michael’ where ‘Philip’ had gone or what was happening.</li> <li>○ MPs asked Learning Disability Partnership Board:</li> <li>○ What does the Partnership Board think of this case?</li> <li>○ What support does the Partnership Board think ‘Michael’ and ‘Phillip’ should have had to make things easier for both of them?</li> <li>○ Case study 2 was called ‘They won’t let me see my girlfriend’ and is about ‘Roy’ and ‘Hazel’, who are two adults with a learning disability who have been in a relationship for over 10 years. ‘Roy’ and ‘Hazel’ both live in Stoke-on-Trent. They have talked about getting married.</li> <li>○ At one time, their key workers supported them to see each other about one or every two weeks. Now, their lives have changed and ‘Roy’ is very unhappy because ‘Hazel’s’ brother won’t let ‘Roy’ come to their house to see her.</li> <li>○ Valuing People and Valuing People Now says that people with learning disabilities should have the chance to have relationships and get married if they want to.</li> </ul> |

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| <b>Reach / Case Studies</b>                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Reach MPs believe that this story highlights that not all people are “treated equally”.</li> <li>○ MPs want asked Learning Disability Partnership Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– How can the Partnership Board make sure people have the rights that Valuing People says they should have?</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Feedback on this question will be available at the next Partnership Board meeting.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Reach / dvd</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Reach presented a dvd of John Mawman talking about the role of Partnership Board Co-Chair. This was also shown at the Staffordshire Learning Disability Partnership Board.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Anything Else? / North Staffs Carers Family Fun Day</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Julie Roberts made available some information about the ‘Family Fun Day’ at Northwood Stadium on 18 June. North Staffs Carers Association are organising the event. The theme is ‘The True Face of Carers’.</li> <li>○ More information is available from North Staffs Carers Association on 01782 834836.</li> </ul>  |

## Date and Time of Next Meeting

| July 2011 |        |         |           |          |        |          |
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**Monday 23 May 2011**



**2:00 - 4:30 p.m.**



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