

Learning Disability Partnership Board
26/09/17 – Bromyard and Sutton Room, Plough Lane

Attending;

Tracey Roberts	Our News Our Views
Mary Simpson	Healthwatch
Mel Davies	Herefordshire Council
Rose Hunt	Herefordshire Mencap
Fiona Richie	Echo
David Davies	Ategi
Ginnie Jaques	Alzheimer's Society
Tracey Exell	Alzheimer's Society
Gill Gorle	ACSYL
Rob Gorle	ACSYL
Ian Harper	Aspire Living
Sharron Colley	2gether
Laura Tyler	Herefordshire Council
Neville Meredith	Herefordshire Council
John Burgess	Herefordshire Council
Adam Russell	Herefordshire Council
John Gorman	Herefordshire Council
Paul Choppen	Herefordshire Council

Apologies

Judith Loveridge	Herefordshire Carers
Carly Day	Specialist independent occupational therapy consultant
Barbara Brown	Aspire Living
Debbie Hobbs	HVOSS

Introductions and previous minutes

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

Matters arising

Carers Strategy

John explained that Carla Preston had now changed jobs and that Danielle Mussell is now the lead for the strategy.

Prevent - Neville Meredith

Neville gave the board a brief run-through of a WRAP (Workshop Raising Awareness of Prevent) session on Prevent. Prevent is one of the four elements of CONTEST, the Government's counter-terrorism strategy. It aims to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism. It has three specific strategic objectives:

- To respond to the ideological challenge of terrorism and the threat faced from those who promote it.
- To prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and ensure that they are given appropriate advice and support.

- To work with sectors and institutions where there are risks of radicalisation that need to be addressed.

Neville explained that people who want to radicalise others generally use a 'single narrative approach' which has three steps;

- A Doomsday Scenario; 'our way of life / belief structure is under threat'
- A Moral Obligation to act; 'you are morally obliged to do something'
- A Need to Act; 'now take those actions'

Neville noted that vulnerable people can be susceptible to this type of indoctrination. People who are at risk of being drawn into terrorism can be referred to 'Channel'. Channel is comprised of different agencies including the police and local authority. The three key stages of Channel are:

- Identify individuals at risk of being drawn into terrorism;
- Assess the nature and extent of that risk; and
- Develop the most appropriate support plan for the individuals concerned

Neville said there had been around 30 people since 2015 in Herefordshire have been referred to Channel but that 19 of these cases were not taken any further. Neville also mentioned that in October the Home Office is going to report on how much mental health illness plays a part in radicalisation. He is also working on an autism specific WRAP presentation with Nicky Pitt from Herefordshire Carers which will be up and running before January 2018.

A fire alarm test brought the meeting to a halt at 11:10am. The meeting recommenced at 11:40am.

Dementia Awareness: Ginnie Jaques and Tracey Exell- Alzheimer's Society

Ginnie explained that she and Tracey had been given 12 months of funding from the Alzheimer's Society to deliver the "Learning Disability and Dementia Project" in Herefordshire.

The aim of the Learning Disability and Dementia Project is to:

- Raise awareness and increase the understanding of dementia of people living and working with a learning disability.
- Explore ways to help sustain and maintain a chosen lifestyle, wherever home is.
- Support planning for changes that may become necessary while it is easier for the person to manage change.

They are collaborating with Macintyre a national learning disability charity who are also working on a dementia project.

They aim to achieve these objectives by:

- Alzheimer's Society staff and volunteers will train people to become Dementia Friends by holding dementia information and awareness sessions to people with a learning disability, family / unpaid carers and paid staff. Their aim is to get 300 people trained up as Dementia Friends. Training can be delivered either at the trainee's premises or at one of the Alzheimer's Society meeting rooms.

- Regional Support Officers will aim train 10 Dementia Friends Champions who will then be able to deliver Dementia Friends training and continue to raise awareness of dementia amongst people with a learning disability beyond the life of the project.
- Dedicated Dementia advisers will support a small number of people living with a learning disability. Helping them to adapt to the changes that dementia brings.
- All learning will be shared locally and nationally.

The project is funded up to the end of June 2018.

If you would like to refer yourself or someone you know for the project please contact the Alzheimer's Society on Tel: 01432 371137

Or Email: Tracey.Exell@alzheimers.org.uk or ginnie.jaques@alzheimers.org.uk

For more information see:

https://www.alzheimers.org.uk/info/20007/types_of_dementia/37/learning_disabilities_and_dementia

<https://www.dementiafriends.org.uk/WEBArticle?page=what-is-a-friend#.WcpzJLeouUk>

Learning Disability Strategy

Adam told the meeting that there will shortly be two engagement events to help identify the key outcomes that need to be included within the Learning Disability strategy. The dates for these events will be circulated shortly.

The Learning Disability strategy will be discussed in depth at the next meeting on December 5.

Carers Strategy

The strategy has been agreed on and is currently being printed. An easy read version is being looked into. This will be covered in more detail at the next meeting on December 5.

Bus passes

Paul Choppen told the meeting that he had drawn up an easy read version of the application form which he had shared with Paul Williamson, of the Travel Team. This form had been passed by the assessment team who decide whether someone is eligible for a pass. The draft form will need some final adjustments before it is circulated for use.

Fiona Richie said that ECHO had drawn up a letter for people to use when they were applying for a bus pass and that a signed letter could be used instead of the application form. Mary Simpson asked that the draft easy read form be amended to show this.

ACTION – Paul Choppen to finalise the form and to make the adjustments as discussed. Once completed the form to be circulated to providers.

Les Knight reminded the meeting that the Independent Travel Team works with both children and adults and that they would be happy to come along to a future meeting to present.

Transforming Care

John Burgess said that he would come along to the next meeting to speak about this. If anyone wants to know more Transforming Care before then please get in touch with John at John.Burgess2@herefordshireccg.nhs.uk

A presentation on Transforming Care is attached

Healthwatch

Mary Simpson said that Healthwatch will shortly be holding some engagement events to ask people about their experiences of End of life Care and Palliative Care. These will be on October 11 and 14. More at their website at

<http://www.healthwatchherefordshire.co.uk/>

Healthwatch are also currently consulting GP access and you can send in your views at the above website

You can contact Mary at mary@healthwatchherefordshire.co.uk

Our News our Views

Tracey told us that Our News Our Views now has a new website. She would like to hear what you think about the new site – visit it at <https://ournewsourviews.com>

And get in touch at ournewsourviews@hotmail.co.uk

Learning Disabilities Mortality Review (LeDeR) Programme

Adam told the group that the University of Bristol is running the world's first national programme to review – and ultimately reduce – premature deaths of people with learning disabilities. Adam and John Burgess both said that they would say more about this at the next meeting on December 5

Check the LeDeR website at <http://www.bristol.ac.uk/sps/leder/>

Adam informed the meeting that in future learning **Sustainability and Transformation Partnerships**

disabilities will form a theme within each of the five STP strands of work. Previously learning disabilities had been a strand on its own. Adam said that he would update the Board at the next meeting.

Outline Agenda for the next meeting on December 5

Learning Disability Strategy – updating the strategy

Transforming Care – an update

Carers Strategy – an update

Sustainability and Transformation Partnerships

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

- 5th December 10-12.30pm - Fownhope and Mordiford Room,
- 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