

Learning Disability Partnership Board

**What happened at our meeting on
Monday 5th August 2024**



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Who was there?

Wendy Wall - LDPB Co-Chair	Gemma Newman - Safeguarding, GHC
Jan Marriott - LDPB Co-Chair	Amanda Eady – Inclusion Gloucestershire/ Forwards Employment Service (GCC)
Mandy – Lighthouse	Jacky Martel – Family Carer and Advice Coordinator, Access Social Care
Paul Tyrrell – Inclusion Gloucestershire	Noor Al-Koky, Senior Commissioning Manager (Autism), GCC/ICB
Bryony Steel, GCC	Ian White – Camphill Village Trust
Denise – PACE	Nicole – Active Impact
Saf Hopkins - Employment Adviser, GCC	Ann – Barnwood Trust
Steven – PACE	Simon Shorrick – Strategic Health Facilitator, GHC
Leo Woodford – Camphill Village Trust	Gemma – Camphill Village Trust
Pauline – PACE	Nicholas Baker – Expert by Experience
Nick – PACE	Emma Spring – Gloucestershire Carers Hub
Keely Tanner - Employment Adviser, DWP	Claire Smeeth – Service Development Lead, Crossroads Care Health Forum
Joseph – PACE	Janet Hawkins – Camphill Village Trust
Anneliese – PACE	Taylor King – Events and Wellbeing Manager, Prosperity Care
Yvonne Smith – Parent	Clare Hicks – Safeguarding, GHC
Pam – GCC Quality Team	Rosanna Marshall – Employment Adviser, GCC
Tom – PACE	Karin Parker - Strategic Health Facilitation Team Administrator
Joel – PACE	Deborah Livingstone – Independent Supporter and Senior LeDeR Reviewer
	Tim Heaven – Inclusion Gloucestershire

GCC means Gloucestershire County Council
GHC means Gloucestershire Health and Care Trust

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 someone who asks for it. This is because of a law, called
 the Freedom of Information Act.**

What we talked about:



Our new co-chair, Wendy, told us a bit about herself.



She has volunteered at Skill Zone and did teach Zumba.



Wendy shared the ground rules for the meeting.



Jan explained that GCC want to find out more about the people coming to our meetings.

An 'easy read' form with a light blue border. It contains the text 'Please fill in this easy read form' at the top. Below this are three sections: 'Your name' with a small icon of a person, 'Address' with a small icon of a house, and 'Phone' with a small icon of a mobile phone. Each section has a corresponding empty box for the user to write in.

Jan said we have forms on the table for people to fill in.



Paul said this will help GCC check the board is speaking up for a big group of people from across the county.

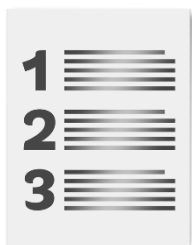


Jacky said the form could be better with a tick box for families, carers and professionals.



Paul will change the form for the next meeting.

Our new priorities



Wendy listed the new priorities, voted for by the board.

Our new priorities are:



Relationships and Friendships



Changing attitudes (a better understanding of invisible disabilities)



Transport



Feeling Safe (Hate Crime)



Wendy said it can be difficult for people with a learning disability to make friends.



Jan said people voted for Relationships and Friendships and we need to do lots of work on this.



Wendy said some disabilities cannot always be seen.



A few people shared personal experiences of bullying and hate crime.



All the Partnership Boards are saying transport is a big issue in Gloucestershire.



Janet said transport is a big issue for people in the Forest of Dean. But the Robin Bus is now coming to Camphill.



The Robin Bus can be booked in places where there are no other buses.



Noor explained GCC are hoping to have a free event with the Police and the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS).

This will be part of hate crime awareness week,



When: Monday 14th October 2024 from 10am – 1pm



Where: The Council Chamber at Shire Hall (or online)



They will talk about Disability Hate Crime.



They will talk about Intersectionality.

Intersectionality is when people might be treated unfairly for more than one reason.



Noor asked everyone to share any other ideas for the day.



Anyone can report hate crime.



The more the police get told about hate crime, the more they will be able to help.



You can tell the police about hate crime by calling 101.

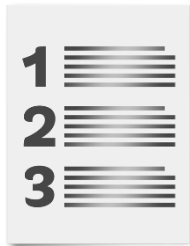


Sometimes it can be a long wait to speak to someone.



You can also tell the police online.

Our Priorities – what we want to happen



For each priority, Jan asked people to think about what they would like to see happen.

People said:

Relationships and Friendships



People should learn about relationships and friendships from a young age.



Communicate

Some people talked about training for people with learning disabilities on how to communicate in a relationship or friendship.



Training Room

Support worker training about relationships and friendships is important.



People want more in-person events to meet people. They also want the support to go to events.



People talked about dating and speed dating events.



It would be good to have Easy Read information about dating and speed dating.



It is important for social care assessments to remember how important it is to help people with relationships and friendships.



It would be good to get more Gig Buddies in Gloucestershire.

Changing attitudes - a better understanding of invisible disabilities



It is important that people know about invisible disabilities in schools, the NHS and social care.



People asked could the Oliver McGowan Training be given to school staff and other services?



Coproduced films could help change attitudes.



It would be good to use the media to help change attitudes.



We need more activities that include everyone in the community.



It would be good to have 'disability confident' community spaces.



Help to get a job is also important.

Transport



Bus drivers need to be more aware of people with disabilities.



People who work at train stations and on the buses need training about different disabilities, including learning disabilities.



More accessible transport is needed in the countryside.



Buses and trains not turning up, or being late, is an issue.



It would be good to have Easy Read information about different transport.



It would be good to have Easy Read information on buses and at bus stops.

Hate Crime



People need to know how they can tell the police about hate crime.



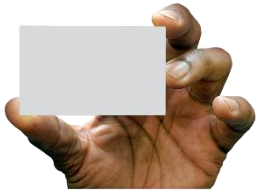
It would be good to have some Easy Read information about reporting Hate Crime to the police.



More information is needed about online safety.



The police need to be more involved in the community.



It would be good to have 'alert cards' for people to show to someone if they don't feel safe.



After the break people talked about some things with the group.



One table said if someone is good enough to volunteer, they are good enough for paid work.



The NHS are working on a policy to make sure people who help them are rewarded for their work.



People might already know that people are moving from Employment and Support Allowance to Universal Credit.

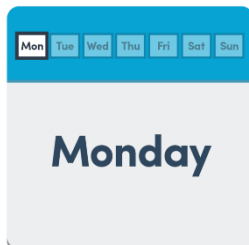


As people move on to universal credit, we were told it would make it easier to work more hours if people wanted to



Jan said when the changes are coming in it would be good to have another session on employment

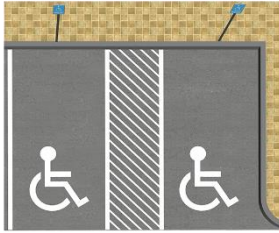
How to make the Partnership Board better



People agreed Monday was the best day for the Learning Disability Partnership Board to meet.



People want to keep the meeting at Kingfisher Treasure Seekers.



Parking can be a bit tricky for those that need to park close by.

Kingfisher Treasure Seekers said they could give us some car parking spaces in their car park.



The time of the meeting is good.



The layout of the tables in the room is good.



People agreed the online 'mini' Learning Disability Partnership Boards meetings should carry on.



It would be good to have the directions to Kingfishers on the agenda



It would be good to have a Learning Disability Partnership Board sign by the gate

The Big Health Day Film

Simon talked about the Big Health Day that happened in June.



Lots of people came and it went very well.



Simon said everyone is welcome to come to the Health Action Group. The group also meets at Kingfisher Treasure Seekers.



We showed everyone the 2024 Big Health Day film.



As it was very quiet here is a link for people to watch the video again:
bit.ly/4fnVXZ9

Anything else to talk about?

Our next meeting.



Prosperity care told us about an event they were running



Wendy told us about the Kingfisher Treasure Seekers Disco

Our next in-person meeting will be in October.

We will tell you the date soon.

It will be at Treasure Seekers Hub,
Eastgate Street, Gloucester



