

Learning Disability Partnership Board

**What happened at our meeting on
Monday 15th December 2025**



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Who was there?

Jan Marriott - LDPB Co-Chair	Michael Steed – Brandon Trust
Paul Tyrrell – Inclusion Gloucestershire	Deborah Livingstone – Independent Supporter
Rosanna Gain – Inclusion Gloucestershire	Keely Tanner – The Department for Work and Pensions
Tammie Flook, Expert by Experience, Inclusion Gloucestershire (Stand in Co-Chair)	Sophie Ayre – NHS Gloucestershire
Dominika Lipska-Rosecka – GHC	Janet Hawkins – Camphill Village Trust
John – Expert by Experience, The Grange	Leo – Expert by Experience, Camphill Village Trust
Juliet Newton – POWHER	Cherry Marshall – Expert by Experience, Camphill Village Trust
Lorraine Rawlings - Employment and Skills Hub, GCC	Jenny Risk – Expert by Experience, Camphill Village Trust
Maria Furlonger – Employment and Skills Hub, GCC	Helen Crooker – Artlift
Amanda Eady – Employment and Skills Hub, GCC	Nicola Shilton - GHC
Jo Williamson – GCC	Amy Boucher-Thomas – NHS Community Learning Disability Team
Isabella Sparoco – Student Learning Disability Nurse, GHC	Rose Savage – Assistant Manager, Enablement Team, GCC
Amy Rees– new Coproduction Lead, GCC	Alice – Prosperity Care and Wellbeing
Rasi Gunasekara - NHS Community Learning Disability Team	Mel Thomas – GCC

Bella – Kingfishers	Troy Stevens – Kingfishers
Clayton Beale – Kingfishers	Tina Yates – Kingfishers
Nathan – Kingfishers	Vicky Walters – Kingfishers

GCC means Gloucestershire County Council

GHC means Gloucestershire Health and Care Trust

GHT means Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

IHOT means Intensive Health Outreach Team

GOCRП means the Gloucestershire and Oxfordshire Community Rail Partnership

GCC may have to give information in this document to someone who asks for it. This is because of a law, called the Freedom of Information Act.

What we talked about:



Tammie was the co-chair of the meeting.



She shared the meeting Ground Rules.

Presentation about the Big Health Day 2025



Dominika and Sophie came to talk about the Big Health Day which happened on the 13th June 2025.



They showed us a presentation. This is attached to these notes.

1600

1,600 people came to the event.

150

This was 150 more than in 2024.



More than 130 health checks happened at the Big Health Day.



Dominika and Sophie told us about the activities people could do.



They also said how many stalls there were and how many volunteers helped on the day.



These numbers are in the presentation.



145 people talked to the Big Health Day team or did our survey.



This is a lot more than last year.



Sophie and Dominika told us what people said in the survey – what went well and what could be better.



They asked people at the meeting for feedback on the day.



What people in the meeting said about the Big Health Day



Alice from Prosperity Care said they love being part of the Big Health Day.



She said it would have been good to know more about when the activities were happening during the day.



It would be good to have a side room for the activities.



Amy asked: Did the day focus on part of someone's health.



Dominika said it was mostly about showing people what they can do to stay well and the help they can get with this.



Jan asked: how are you going to find out what young people want at the next Big Health Day.



Dominika said they have just started planning. They need to see if they have the funding for next year.



The team will be setting up a group to help plan the event, including Experts by Experience and other people who want to be part of it.



Information

They will be sharing information about the day through the Partnership Boards and Know your Patch.



Sophie said Active Impact, who work with young people, want to be involved in the planning.



Vicky from Action for Children said: *“It’s a great day. The young people enjoy the activities. I agree that this year it was harder to find out what was happening inside”*.



In 2024, there was a timetable which was useful.



Another person said having more easy to understand information and clear signs would be helpful.



Someone suggested some activities for younger children, like rounders.



Dominika thanked everyone, explaining that she would be coming to the next meeting to think more about the activities they could do.



Keely from the Job Centre said she really likes the Big Health Day, as we can show a 'human side'.



Keely asked the date for the Big Health Day in 2026.



Thursday 11th June (subject to funding)

Activity Ideas



Leo said in 2024 Kingfishers did Dance and Singing activities.



This would be good for young people and teenagers. We could ask Kingfishers to do this again.



We could also ask Gill, from Kingfishers, to do Makaton again too.



Alice from Prosperity Care said she has done dance fitness and Zumba sessions.



Lorraine shared some ideas – a carers choir and mindful colouring.



Dominika said the team want to co-design the day and the space used.



They want people's ideas of what can happen where.



Amy asked if the Big Health Day could go 'on the road' and go to places like Tewksbury. Not many of the people who came to the event lived in Tewksbury.

Jan said the NHS have a 'health bus' that goes to different places.

Creative Cancer Awareness Project



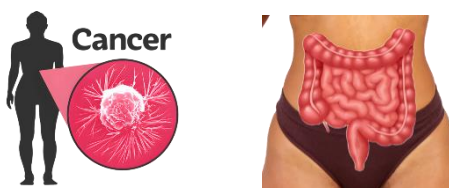
Helen from Artlift came to talk about the Creative Cancer Awareness project.



This is a trial project funded by the NHS.



The project looks to see if doing arts and crafts activities makes it easier for people to have difficult conversations.



The project planning group decided to focus on Bowel Cancer.



The project planning group (also called a Steering Group) includes Experts by Experience and a group of people from the NHS in Gloucestershire, including the Learning Disability Screening Nurse.



It is important people with a learning disability know about healthy eating, healthy poo and what to do if they find blood in their poo.



The planning group decided people can make clay pots or use magazines to make collages.



Whilst people are doing this Tim (from Inclusion Gloucestershire) talks about his own cancer experience.



People can ask questions.



Jonathon, the Learning Disability Screening nurse then asks people what they know about healthy poo.



People can also talk about healthy eating.



The group looks at pictures and are then asked to choose which are healthy and which are not healthy.



At the end of a workshop, people will be asked what they have learnt.



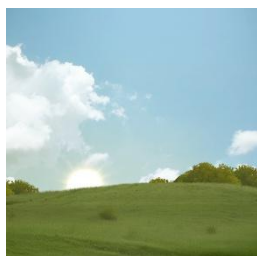
They will also be able to talk to Jonathon on their own if they would like.



The project plans to run 3 workshops, each for 20 people.



The workshops are also for carers.



Artlift want to run the workshops in rural areas, but it is hard to find groups in rural areas.



The project is going to the Grange and the Forest of Dean



Mike, from Brandon Trust, suggested putting something about the project in local Parish Council Newsletters.



Keely said she is happy to put posters up in Job Centre Windows.



Jo, from GCC, suggested linking up with the Roses Theatre.



Sophie suggested Stroud Court Trust.



Alice from Prosperity Care said they would like to be involved.



They have space at for the workshop at their offices.



Helen explained this is a trial project.

If it works, there will be more workshops.



Artlift will write a report telling the NHS what people said about the workshops.

ReSPECT



Unfortunately Vicki Howard couldn't come to our meeting to talk about ReSPECT.



Tammie introduced ReSPECT to the group.



A video of a ReSPECT conversation was shown on screen.

Please see the attached meeting presentation for the introduction to ReSPECT.



Here is a link to the video shared during the meeting:

<https://youtu.be/Yrq1zQotkaY>



Paul said that the ReSPECT process is not just for end of life.



It is for anyone who may not be able to tell others their wishes when they are very ill.



There is a new set of training resources for health and care professionals.



There are links to easy read resources and different language options.



There is a podcast about ReSPECT.



There is one episode that talk about ReSPECT for people with learning disabilities.



You can contact Vicki to tell her about your own experience. Her contact details are on the presentation.



In 2026, there will be a digital version of ReSPECT.



The digital version will be easier for health professionals to share with other health professionals.



There will still be a paper ReSPECT form for people who can't use the digital version.

Jan said it's hard to know what to do with the form when you don't need it.



There used to be a jar which you can put in the fridge but Jan wasn't sure if these are still in use.



Paul said the ReSPECT plan should go into the new orange folders.



Deborah said it will be on your medical record when it goes electronic.



Janet said there are challenges with the ReSPECT process.



Sometimes parents want to make decisions for their sons or daughters.

Sometimes the people themselves don't even know they are dying, as the parents don't want them to be told.



Rights

There is still a lot of work to do so people know their rights.

Deborah agrees.



She said it's important to think about the ReSPECT form before you're at the end of life.



When you are dying, it's hard to think about it. Sometimes doctors say you don't need to do it if you are not end of life but it is important.

GHC Learning Disability Services Review



The review took place between April and October 2025.



GHC have been working with Experts by Experience, Family Carers and Voluntary organisations as part of this.



They want people to live Gloriously Ordinary Lives.



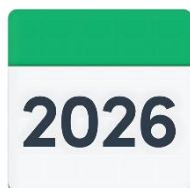
There have been lots of good things but also things that could be better.



One suggestion is to put more money into community healthcare so people spend less time in hospital.



The Integrated Care Board is thinking about what plans could be put in place.



We should hear more about this in February 2026.



Jan said it's mainly about keeping people well and keeping people from having to go into hospital.



The Enablement team are waiting for feedback about the Learning Disabilities Services review.

Anything else to talk about and our next meeting



Paul said that we are recruiting for new co-chair.



Please share the advert or come and talk to us.

Our next in-person meeting will be on Monday 23rd February



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



