



Learning Disability Partnership Board:

What happened at our meeting on the 8th of September 2022

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Hayden Price shared the house rules for the Partnership Board with everyone.



Hayden and Jan told us about the Annual Report for 2021-2022.

Copies were available for people to read.



Jan asked everyone how people think we have done with the priorities.



People said we still need to do more to help people with friendships and relationships.



People said they are still looking for a partner.



Janet said transport is a big problem. There needs to be enough staff and vehicles to help people go out to meet people. This is a big problem in the Forest.

People said that they are not always being listened to by staff in their house.

Holly said people cannot always get staff.

More agency staff are being used and they don't always know people well.

There is a lot of work going on to get more trained staff.

Some people said there are more things where people are being listened to. Nick said there is the Your Voice project.

People said the Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training should mean people are being listened to more as staff are trained.



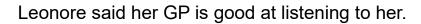












Hayden said he wished you didn't have to speak to a receptionist about your health problems as well as the doctor.

Holly said the hospital has lots of confusing signs. Letters can be hard for people to understand.

Jacky said that when she is asked for feedback by text, it is hard to know who is asking for feedback.

Deborah said the Learning Disability Liaison nurses are great. There is a new nurse starting called Ellen.

They help people in the hospitals in Gloucester and Cheltenham.

Cheryl said if people go to a hospital in other places, the Intensive health outreach team (IHOT) can help.

P.A.C.E said they have taken their group to the hospital to meet the Liaison nurses and they would like for this to happen again. It really helped people.









Helen said Building Circles run a Women's and Men's Health training course. Cheryl said it would be good for them to come to the Health Action Group.

Helen gave us good news. She said Building Circles have been given money to set up Gig Buddies in Gloucestershire.

Helen said they will need help. They will be hiring a coordinator. They want to know what sorts of 'gigs' or things people would like to go to.

Helen will be in touch with people to find out what people want to do.



At the June board meeting, people said it is hard to know who to go to when you want a job. Jan said she is meeting with Vicki from Forwards. We will look at how to make it easier.



Richard said that Prospects helped to find him a job and get him a bike to get to work.



Jacky said that getting a job should be included in someone's social care plan when they have an assessment.

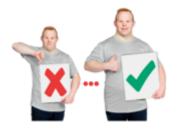
Ismail said Adult Education can help people to get ready to find a job. They can help with CVs and interviews.



Janet said people are worried if they get a job it will change their benefits.

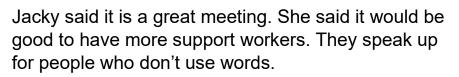


Denise said that assessments are very confusing for Family Carers. Different support planners say different things.



We asked what is the Partnership Board doing well, and what does it need to do better?





Anthony said staff would be able to give a lot of important information.

Cheryl said it might be hard for them to come because of staffing.

Jan said an online meeting might be better for them.

Hayden told us what people at the hub said stops them from having a good life.

Jan told us what people said in the online survey.

People said the main things that stop people from having a good life are:

Transport

- People cannot get to places because of the bus pass system.
- Buses are late or don't turn up.
- People need bus buddies.
- There need to be more accessible taxis.

People want to go out more and go to work but don't have help with this.

- Evenings and weekends can be hard.









There is not good enough support for young people moving from children to adult services:

- There is not enough help available in college.
- There needs to be a step-down approach that parents are told about.



Vicky said it will help when there is a person parents can speak to about transition at GCC.



There are not enough special school places.

There are long waiting lists for an EHCP. The system is not working – there are long waits for a tribunal.



Tamsin said it is important parents ask schools how they are spending the money from their child's EHCP. It is possible to include what someone needs outside of school, like a community mentor.



Vicky said that there will be new special schools in the next few years. GCC is building the Local Offer website. There will be a separate section about transition.



Isabel said the PBS team has helped when a young person is finding transition hard.



Vicky said they know that there are not enough activities for young people who have a Learning Disability. They have put out grants. These new activities have started and are on You're Welcome.



In the survey people said that money is a problem.



Richard said people can get help with their heating bill.

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Jacky said that if someone needs electricity and heating for their support need, they should be able to put this cost in their care plan.



Denise gave feedback from P.A.C.E members and families.

They said filling out forms lots of times can make them very anxious.



People in the community (at the pub) and on buses can be rude.

Leonore said she has had hate crime happen before.



Emily said if something bad happens on the bus, Stagecoach would like us to tell them about it. They have CCTV. They can give drivers training.



Jan said we will be making sure we have actions for each meeting.



We will also have a 'You said, We did' part of our meetings. This will be when one of the big bosses tells us what they are going to do about that action.



Our next meeting will be online on Thursday the 10^{th} of November from 11 - 1.

What we have agreed to do before the next meeting

What		Who
	Make it easy for people with a Learning Disability to know how to find a job.	Jan, Tim, Cheryl and Vikki Walters
	Tell people about Your Welcome	Cheryl
YOU'RE WELCOME	Website	Everyone
	Look at ways for paid carers to	Anthony
	be part of the LDPB	Jeffers (GPA) Holly/Cheryl –using Provider Forum

	Find out from paid carers what would help them to know the different things to do in Gloucestershire.	Jan and Tim at Provider Forum
BUDDIES LIVING IT UP	Tell Building Circles about the type of 'Gigs' people want to do.	Everyone