



Learning Disability Partnership Board Minutes

25th March 2025

MS Teams/ In person at the Hive



Who was at the meeting?

Co-Chairs:

Rachel Barrett

Frances Kelsey

What they do:

Expert Member, SpeakEasy NOW

Lead Commissioner, Worcestershire County Council

Expert Members:

Sam Sinderberry

Lucy Hancock

What they do:

Expert Member, SpeakEasy NOW

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Supported by:

Morag Edmondson

Gail Greer

Adrian Hare

What they do:

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Carer Reps:

Chris Jordan

What they do:

Carer rep

Supported by:**What they do:****Other Professionals:****What they do:**

Aimee Davis

Commissioning Officer, Worcestershire County Council

Jill Hughes

Group Manager, All Age Disability Service, Worcestershire County Council

Julie Roycroft

Where Next Association

Debbie Lamont

Healthwatch Worcestershire

Pam Johnson

Midland Mencap

Samantha Jauncey

LD Liaison Nurse, Worcestershire Acute Trust

**People who couldn't come to the meeting:****Name:****What they do:**

Daniel Rogers

Midland Mencap

Laura Westwood

Lead Commissioner, Worcestershire County Council

Julie Webber

Worcestershire Acute Trust

Emma Mackey

Lead Nurse for Patient Experience, LD Liaison Nurse, Worcestershire Acute Trust

Cat Bennett

Our Way

Jack Caine

Senior Programme Lead, NHS Herefordshire & Worcestershire Integrated Care Board

Barbara Pugh

Carer rep

Cassie Judd

Worcestershire Association of Carers

Adam Jones

Commissioning Manager, Worcestershire County Council

Natalie Lackenby

Area Learning Disabilities Manager South, Worcestershire County Council

Caroline Kirby

Head of LDA Admission Avoidance and Discharge, NHS Herefordshire and Worcestershire ICB



Welcome, Introductions and Rules of the Meeting

Rachel welcomed everybody and introductions were made.



Minutes & Actions from the last meeting

Item:

Review of Actions:



- Aimee to send the Expert Members Report round with the Minutes - complete
- Aimee to send the People's Parliament Report round with the Minutes - complete
- Aimee to send round the Preparing for Adulthood Highlight Report with the Minutes - complete
- The Carer Voice Delivery Plan will be coming to the January 2025 meeting – postponed to May 2025
- If any Board Member has an agenda item for the January Worcestershire LDPB, please let Aimee know - complete

- Fran and Aimee to feed into the joint LDPB agenda planning the suggestions for topics - complete



Item:

Expert Members Report

Report:

(Appendix 1)

Rachel read through the Expert Members Report.

Comments/Questions:

Within the Report, Expert Members explained to the Board that they have written letters to the Secretary of State for Health and Social care and Local MPs to tell them their concerns about having the Annual Health Check Target removed.

Fran asked if there had been any responses.

Gail said there have been some responses to the letters and the MPs have acknowledged the concerns. In the letter, the MPs have explained that they still require the Integrated Care Boards to report on the number of Annual Health Checks that they undertake every year.

Although this is not now monitored by way of a target this is still a priority for the NHS.



Morag said Nigel Huddleston MP has raised this directly with the Secretary of State.



Actions:

- Aimee to send the Report round with the Minutes.

Being Safe Work and discussion

Sam read through the Being Safe Report.



Comments/Questions:

Debbie asked if there are any plans for the Hate Crime Officers, Call Handlers, Police and Public Transport Operators to carry out Oliver McGowan Training so that they have an awareness?

Morag said that the Hate Crime Officer said that this is something they are working on and trying to implement this for all call handlers.

Fran said she really liked the format that has been used to review the theme of the strategy. Fran is keen not to lose all this information as in the coming months we will need to write a report on what we have achieved this year in the LD Strategy.

Fran asked the Board if a workshop could be set up on the Being Safe Theme to identify specific actions. Gail

said it would be a good idea for Fran and Aimee to attend an Expert Members Meeting to move this forward.

Actions:

- Gail to send Aimee a list of dates for the Expert Members Meeting.
- Aimee to send the Report round with the Minutes.



Highlight Reports



Report: Having a Place to Live

Sam read through the Highlight Report.

The issue that was raised within the Report about a member from Speakeasy not being able to attend meetings due to not having a driver available was discussed by the Board. The individual would like to continue with their commitments, but this is proving difficult with the current provider.

Aimee said that this has been captured by Adam at the last Sub-Group and Adam will be discussing this with the provider.



SEND Preparing for Adulthood

The last SEND Preparing for Adulthood Meeting was cancelled due to clashes with other workshops and was rearranged for May so there is no highlight report this time.

Aimee updated the Board about the work she is involved in alongside Fran and Jill which is being led by Children's Services to update the SEND Delivery Plan, and part of that Plan includes the LD Strategy.

Aimee and Jill attended a workshop back in February where they spoke to lots of different parent/carers and professionals about the LD Strategy and how this was co-produced by the Learning Disability Partnership Board.

The Strategy was well received with lots of positive feedback from people at the event about the Strategy being a fully co-produced piece of work.



Actions:

- Aimee to send the Having a Place to Live Highlight Report round with the Minutes.

Carer Voice Action Plan

There will be a detailed update about this Plan at the May meeting.



Fran said that the work is being delivered through the Right Support for Carers Group and an Action Plan is being produced, this is almost finalised and sign off should take place in April.

There are some new LD Carer Reps that are coming forward and Fran has met with these carers to talk about the Strategy. It is really positive that the LD Carer Reps group is growing, and there should be some more Carer Reps due to attend the Partnership Board moving forward.



WCC Update:

Fran shared a presentation to the group about the Devolution White Paper that was launched by the Government at the end of 2024 and future proposals about Worcestershire becoming one unitary Council.



Actions:

- Aimee to forward the presentation round with the minutes.



Better Together Workshop Update:

Jill gave a presentation to the group about the work she has been doing within the Better Together Programme.

Jill has been preparing an easy-to-read Care Plan using the InPrint/Widget software.



Actions:

- Aimee to send round the presentation with the minutes.



Any Other Business

Aimee shared the information about the Direct Payment Forums that are taking place in April.

- Aimee to share the dates of the Forums with the Board.

Review and Confirmation of Actions (including actions rolled forward from last meeting)



- Aimee to send the Expert Members Report round with the Minutes.
- Aimee to send the Being Safe Report round with the Minutes.

- Gail to send Aimee a list of dates for the Expert Members Meeting.
- Aimee to send round the Having a Place to Live Highlight Report out with the Minutes.
- Aimee to pick up with Adam particular issues that have been raised within the meeting about housing providers
- The Carer Voice Delivery Plan will be coming to the May 2025 meeting.
- Aimee to forward the WCC Update Presentation round with the Minutes
- Aimee to send the InPrint/Widget Presentation round with the Minutes.

Date of Next Meeting

Date:

Details:



Tuesday 20th May 2025

11.00 am – 1.00 pm

Via Hybrid/MS Teams

Venue for meeting room to be confirmed.

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Expert Members Reports

Appendix 2 – Being Safe Report

Appendix 3 – Having a Place to Live Highlight Report

Appendix 4 – WCC Update Presentation

Appendix 5 – InPrint / Widget Presentation