



# Executive Partnership Board

## Report

<b>Title:</b>	Learning Disability Partnership Board Update
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### Priority Areas agreed by the LDPB

- Health
- Day Opportunities
- Keeping Safe
- Transport

The Learning Disability Partnership Board has met once since the Executive Partnership Board meeting held in February.

The Health, Services and Activities Group has met twice

Feedback has been submitted for the Transport Strategy

Day Opps Services and Activities group is due to meet May 17<sup>th</sup>

Keeping Safe meeting due to be held in May

LDPB has been represented re: the Local Account and feedback given

### Health Update

The group is made up from representatives from Bucks County Council Commissioning Health Lead, Ridgeway, Community Team, Acute Services and Talkback.

The work of the group is focused on issues/needs identified by people with a learning disability. Agreed Health priorities are;

- Health Checks
  - Bucks is behind other areas around the country regarding Health checks for people with a learning disability. This situation was highlighted at the Time for change event 'Taking action for Health Checks ' South East Region Health forum.
- Health Action Plans
  - Ridgeway have designed a new Health Action Plan but because of the amount of colour it is proving too expensive to print.
- Health Passport
  - Bucks has been a leader in the field with regard to the development and use of Health Passports. Funding for Health Passports finishes end of May. This has a big impact on continued use, maintenance and development.
- Training
  - Treat Me Not my Knee training sessions are delivered in the 3 hospitals across the county. Training focuses on Communication, Disability Awareness and the use of Health Passports.
  - GP Surgeries need further training to increase awareness, improved and fair access and communication with people with a learning disability

Time for Change Event – Taking Action for Health Checks was attended by a representative from the LDPB

**Action** To submit a proposal for Training and continued funding for Health Passports.

### **Day Opportunities**

People with a learning disability and family carers have a great number of concerns regarding the changes to Day Service provision. Linda Warmbier, the Day Opportunities Programme Manager had been invited to update the Board but was unable to attend on that date. The Board decided that a Day Opportunities Services and Activities Group Meeting should be co-ordinated and meet with Linda Warmbier and other key people for an update and to raise concerns so that information could be fed back at the next Learning Disability Partnership Board for discussion.

Timelines to aid communication, increase knowledge and understanding and reduce concerns had been agreed at the earlier Services and Activities Group since which time there have been a number of obstacles. To be discussed at Services and Activities meeting in May.

### **Keeping Safe**

Next meeting has been arranged for this month. A Keeping Safe Conference is planned for later in the year.

It was highlighted by members of the Partnership Board that a representative from the Learning Disability Partnership Board should be part of the Safeguarding Board.

**Action** Safeguarding Board to be contacted re representation.

**Transport**

The Transport Strategy was not made available as an Easy Read document. Talkback worked alongside people with a learning disability on the strategy and produced an Easy Read response which was submitted to Bucks County Council.

The Learning Disability Partnership Board raised the concern that with all the changes to Day Opportunities, people are needing more help with independent travel.

**Action** To be addressed at the Services and Activities Group meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> May

**Other areas****Autism Steering Group**

The Partnership Board has been asked to identify a representative/s to be part of the Autism Steering Group.

**Action** Representative to be discussed and agreed at next Partnership Board

**Local Account**

The LDPB has been represented at Local Account meetings by Jennifer Basterfield from Talkback. Talkback has also gathered feedback from the “people” working groups which has been submitted to the Local Account Steering Group. They are hoping to use the “mini” paperoll produced by Talkback for the front cover.

**Dignity in Care**

Two people from the Burnham Working Group self elected to be representatives on behalf of the Learning Disability Partnership Board (supported by Sue Pigott, Talkback). The Partnership Board agreed.

**Ridgeway**

The LDPB are currently represented at the Ridgeway Stakeholder Engagement Group meetings by Matthew Forbes and Karen Mackenzie from Talkback and Andy Martin.