





Learning Disability Partnership Board Meeting Notes

Thursday 5th December 2024.

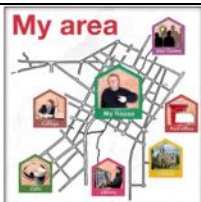
1		<p>Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>Who is here?</p> <p>Speak Out Cambridgeshire Leader = 4 Cambridgeshire Independent Member = 2 Peterborough Independent Member = 2 VCSE = 1 ICB = 1 CCC = 3 PCC = 1 NWAFT = 1 Healthwatch = 2 Voiceability Speak Out Facilitators = 3</p> <p>Apologies were received.</p>
2		<p>Feedback from people with Learning Disabilities and/or Autism</p> <p>A Partnership Board member had their PIP (Personal Independence Payment) reviewed. They were told they were not eligible as they could drive. They are appealing. They found this stressful.</p> <p>Concerns raised about the changes from one benefit to Universal Credit. This is part</p>

		<p>of a national government plan to have everyone on the same benefits. It was felt that this was not explained very well to people. It was also felt that the process was difficult as it was online (you needed to have all your information ready as you couldn't save your application and then update it when you had found the information you needed). People didn't understand why the Government couldn't just transfer the relevant information from one department to another.</p> <p>Action: Graham to raise with local contact for the Department for Works and Pensions</p>
3	<p>Speak Out</p>	<p>Feedback from the Speak Out Councils</p> <p>Speak Out Cambridgeshire had been very busy. They had worked on the survey about Annual Health Checks during the summer.</p> <p>Some of the Speak Out Leaders had been to Parliament to meet with the Health and Social Care Select Committee to tell them the views of Cambridgeshire people on the 10 year health plan for the NHS.</p> <p>Some of the Speak Out Leaders have been learning to deliver the Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training.</p>

		<p>Speak Out Peterborough had also been very busy and had worked on the survey about people's experiences of annual health checks.</p>
4		<p>Healthwatch's plan for the next 4 years.</p> <p>– Jess Slater</p> <p>Jess Slater is the Chief Executive of Healthwatch Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.</p> <p>Jess is writing Healthwatch's strategy – a plan – of what it will be doing over the next 5 years.</p> <p>Jess asked a number of questions to hear what the Partnership Board thought.</p> <p>Jess wanted to know</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. What does Healthwatch do b. What can Healthwatch help you c. What do you think are important things to do d. How can we do more to make sure we listen to you? e. How can you help us? <p>Jess listened to what people had to say.</p>

		<p>Jess was speaking to lots of people about the Healthwatch Strategy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All the Partnership Boards • All the Health and Care Forum's • Healthwatch's Board of Directors • Healthwatch Volunteers • Youthwatch (our young people's project) • Other stakeholders <p>Jess will be writing the strategy in February 2025. It will then be presented to our Board of Directors for approval.</p> <p>Once it has been approved it will be shared with everyone.</p> <p>Jess was clear that whilst the strategy was being written for the next 5 years, it would be flexible as things might change depending on what people tell us locally and what organisations like the Integrated Care Board and the Government do.</p>
5		<p>LeDeR – Learning from the Lives and Deaths of people with Learning Disabilities and/or Autism – Anne Hunt (Integrated Care Board)</p>

		<p>Anne Hunt from the ICB explained that the LeDeR stands for 'Learning from Lives and Deaths – People with a Learning Disability and Autistic People.</p> <p>This means that since 2022 has also looked at death and lives of people who are autistic.</p> <p>The purpose of the report is to learn from people's deaths and improve care, reduce health inequalities, and prevent early death.</p> <p>The report found:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Average age of death was 61 • People died from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o pneumonia, infections, sepsis o Heart, lung, and kidney failure o Cancer • Most people died in hospital <p>Summary of recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help carers continue caring when people go into hospital • Be clear about people's ethnicity • Be clear about the reasonable adjustments a person needs • Improve quality of Annual Health Checks and Health Action Plans
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase screenings of cancer and the uptake of vaccinations • Make sure people know what good health looks like and what signs of serious ill health looks like • Work with hospitals to prevent pneumonia and long stays • Make sure people with a learning disability and autistic people get best care at the end of their lives. <p>It was noted that when someone has profound and complex disabilities and is in hospital, the medical staff will not know what is normal for someone (their baseline) and not be able to identify if the person has become very ill.</p> <p>It was noted that GP's and Hospitals really need to listen to the person, as well as to their carers who know them well.</p> <p>Kate Bunting asked that Anne keep in touch with both Speak Out Cambridgeshire and Peterborough about developing prevention campaigns.</p>
6		<p>Updates from other meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult Social Care Forum • Learning Disability Partnership (CCC) • Social Care (PCC) • SEND




- **Health and Care Forums**

Healthwatch have heard the Learning Disabilities Partnership Board's concerns about the changes happening in the Cambridgeshire Learning Disability Partnership – the service that provides health and social care support to people.

There are plans to separate the joint work.

Healthwatch have raised this at a number of meetings:

- Jess raised it at the Mental Health, Learning Disability, and Autism Accountable Business Unit (the team that manages this) at the Integrated Care Board.
- Jonathan Jelley (Chair of Healthwatch Cambridgeshire and Peterborough) raised this at the Integrated Care Board meeting.
- Jess raised this with Patrick Warren-Higgs the Executive Director of Adults, Health and Commissioning at Cambridgeshire County Council. He made a note of the concern that people who receive both Health and Social Care support will need to have two assessments and that people would prefer to have a single point of

		contact when they need to discuss their health, care and support.
7		<p>Minutes of our last meeting and Action Log</p> <p>The minutes of the last meeting Thursday 5th September 2024 were recapped.</p> <p>Action Log was updated.</p>
8		<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>The Speak Out Day in Cambridgeshire will be on the theme of "Keeping Safe". The date is to be confirmed.</p>
		<p>Date of next meeting</p> <p>Thursday 6th March 2025</p> <p>10.30am - 1pm</p> <p>Venue TBC and Online Via Zoom</p> <p>Chair = Michelle Mansfield</p>