

Wiltshire Local Partnership Board Meeting

Monday 14th January 2008
Civic Hall, Trowbridge



People who came to the meeting

Sue Redmond	Department of Community Services (Chair)
Heather Hughes	Partnership Board Co-chair
Amy Roberts-Phare	Chair North Wilts Action Group
Angie Carmichael	Wiltshire People First
David Martin	Chair – Wiltshire People First
Martin Fortune	Wiltshire & Swindon Users Network
Phil Powell	Department of Community Services
Mike Claydon	South Wilts Family Carer
Rhonda Jenkins	Learning Disability Provider Services
Brigadier G Read	South Wilts Mencap
Georgina Ruddle	Ridgeway Partnership NHS Trust
Kay Rudge	CARE Wiltshire
Mrs Seager	County Councillor
Geoff Shepherd	Support to Heather Hughes
Margaret Greenman	North Wilts Family Carer
Avril Mendel	Department of Community Services
Carol Glenister	Kennet Family carer
Ian Spalding	White Horse Care Trust
Paul Hughes	West Wilts Partnership Board
Caroline Loveless	Learning Disability Development Group
John Thomson	County Councillor
Boni Williams	United Response
Paul Myles	Connexions
Viv Fortune	Kennet Family Carer
Alison Middleton	Wiltshire PCT
Tina Reddick	Wiltshire & Swindon Users Network
Julia Davey	Department of Community Services



People who couldn't come to the meeting

Gavin Mullings	Salisbury Independent Self Advocacy Group
Kathy Smith	North Wilts Family Carer
Phil Stevenson	North/West CTPLD
Nigel Stovold	Co-chair Kennet LD Group
Caroline Cummings	Kennet LD Group



Introductions and Welcome

The meeting was chaired by Sue Redmond and Heather Hughes.



Heather asked everyone to introduce themselves.

At the meeting we talked about:

1. Things from the notes of the last Partnership Board meeting on 30th August 2007



Avril said that 3 of the 4 District Groups had been visited by Jason Salter from Passenger Transport Unit and Louise Rendle. The Salisbury group will have their visit in March or April.

At the last meeting, Avril asked for volunteers to help us look at the Wiltshire accessible website, but no-one volunteered. She said she would write to the self-advocacy groups to see if anyone would like to help.



Tina said she would like to help us with the website.

2. Safeguarding adults – accessible information

Thelma Claydon came to talk to us about the Safeguarding Adults document. This is about making sure that everyone is looked after and not abused or harmed in any way.



The Board were shown a copy of the document which tells people what they need to do if something bad is happening to them.



Wiltshire wants to have a leaflet that can be sent out to people with Learning Disabilities. Thelma asked if members of the board could let her know if they think it is ok. She would like to know by Friday 22nd February.



Sue asked if Wiltshire People First would collect people's thoughts and pass them on to Thelma?



Action: A copy of the leaflet will be sent out with copies of the notes of this meeting.

3. Ideas and proposals from the Review Sub-Group

In November a small group of members from the Partnership Board had a meeting to talk about how we could change the way the Board meetings were run.



Angie and David told about these plans and everyone looked at a paper about them. There is a copy of the paper with these notes.



These are some of the main points;

The Local Partnership Board will meet 4 times a year



There will also be 2 or 3 conferences each year.



We should have Service User Forums, run by Wiltshire People First. They will meet between the conferences so there could be 4 forums in a year.



The meetings will be smaller with clearer ideas of what we need to achieve.

There will be pre-meetings between Sue and the co-chair, before the Partnership Board meetings. These changes will happen at the next Board Meeting.



The local groups will need to identify who will represent them at the Board.



Sue asked if Ian and Boni could take these ideas back to the Provider Forum when it meets in February? The Board would like the Forum to elect someone to sit on the Board and pass information to other service providers.



Action: The Board agreed these proposals



4. Valuing People Now with Carol Robinson

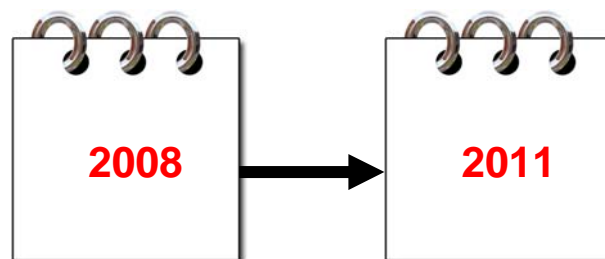
Carol came to talk to us about Valuing People Now. It is an update of Valuing People and doesn't replace it.



Carol said that there have been a lot of changes to people's lives since Valuing People was written. Unfortunately things have not changed for everyone.



Valuing People Now tells us what we need to do between now and 2011.



There are some big priorities;



People having more choice and control over their lives and services (this is called Personalisation)



What people do in the days and evening – including getting a paid job



People being healthy and getting a good service from the NHS



People having more choices about where they live.

Carol said that Partnership Boards can make all these things happen.

Mike said that there was some really good things in Valuing People Now but it will be really hard to make some of the ideas happen for everyone, especially those with high support needs.



Carol said that it was right for the White Paper to set very high standards even if in real life they might be difficult to reach.



5. The Story so Far – The priorities for Wiltshire

6. The LDDF – how to spend the balance on the priorities

Avril gave everyone a copy of the Wiltshire Review of Valuing People and information about the main things we have to do. A copy of these documents is with the notes of the meeting.



Wiltshire's Partnership Board
Story so far
Priorities for the next Five Years



Phil said that we will be getting Learning Disability Development Fund money for 3 more years, after this year. In 2008/9 we will get £263,000 (263 thousand pounds).



It was suggested that we have a sub group to discuss money and where we should spend it. Wiltshire People First will be important people on this group. It was suggested that each District group has one person on the group.



Action: The small group should meet, then work with the District groups so that ideas for spending the money go to the next Local Partnership Board.

7. Bits and Pieces

Today was the last Board meeting that will be co-chaired by Heather. Sue thanked Heather for all her work and gave her some flowers from the Partnership Board.



David Martin will take over as chair of the Board.



8. Date of the next meeting

The date of the next meeting will be sent out soon.

