

Lincolnshire Learning Disability Partnership Board meeting Monday 21st October 2024 Committee room 3, LCC.

Who was there:



Peter Vine, Michelle Ornstein, Rosemarie Thompson
Kerry Gibson
Laura Blaine – Carers Lead
John Waters- Service Manager –Day Services, Innovation & Development (Chair)
Claire Francis - Senior Commissioning Manager for Learning Disability and Autism Local Area Contact (LAC) for Lincolnshire LeDer Programme.
Jane Mason – Every-One
Amanda Bailey – Just Lincolnshire
Louise Olley – Service Development Manager
Rachel Jackson, Julie Green, Sam Francis – Information and Advice Leads, Adult Care and Community Wellbeing, LCC.



Apologies

Katie Andersen – SEND Head of Service
Jo Tubb – Head of Learning Disabilities Service
Vicky Skeldon – CEO, Carers First, Richard Eccles – Programme Manager, ICB
Justin Hackney – Assistant Director, Specialist Adult Services, Lincolnshire County Council



Welcome and Introductions

John welcomed everyone to the meeting and suggested as we've got some new faces, we remind people of the ground rules to not use jargon, and that no questions are silly.



John asked that future meetings be arranged outside of school holidays where possible. Everyone agreed this was sensible.

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Minutes and actions from last meeting



Claire is still working on the LeDER Report. This will be ready in December 2024.

Louise has invited information, and advice leads to this meeting.

Louise, Kerry and the Speak Out Leaders have met to agree an engagement plan for the LD Big Plan. Louise explained that the dates may need to change as Adult Care's Directorate Leadership Team (DLT) are interested in knowing what the plans are.

This will be talked about at a meeting on Monday 28 October 2024.

Transforming Care and LeDER updates



Claire provided the following information:

At the end of September 2024 there were 38 people in hospital. This is an increase of 2 from the previous month.

3 people had recently been in hospital.

1 individual has now been discharged and the team decided to do a 2-week review with the person after going home. This meant the team could consider whether what they had recommended was working and whether anything needed to change.

This worked really well, and they are now introducing this to all discharges, and it's written in their standard operating procedures (SOP).



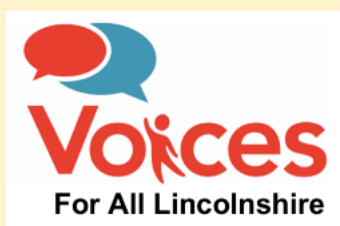
The SOP is a document that explains how everyone should be working. 4 of the people are living outside of a hospital setting but they are still included because of being forensic. Julie asked whether this was just people with learning disabilities. Claire explained that it also included autistic people.

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Claire explained the role of LeDER and how actions from learning are decided by the panel. She had explained earlier that she is working on the annual report which will be ready in December 2024.

Update from Learning Disability Partnership



The Speak Out Leaders gave an update on the work that has been done. Laura asked about the timeline for work to re-start. Claire explained that the ICB Health Inequalities Team will be responsible for the work from April 2025.



John explained that there are other groups and boards he and others are working with who talk about similar problems. Individually each of these groups are trying to get through the GPs. He asked whether it would be sensible to work together to be stronger in making these changes. He asked whether members were happy talk to others and work together. Everyone agreed.



The group discussed the issues around the All About Me / Health Passport. John explained his experience of A&E and the staff not having the time to read them.

Kerry explained that Craig Ferris has said that all staff have time, and they have been encouraged to empower people to self-advocate. Mandy questioned whether this was possible since these documents are used by people who have difficulty self-advocating. Others agreed.



We talked about how the Board should be used to escalate issues when efforts not having the result that we want. Everyone agreed that the Board should be able to respond to this sort of thing.

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Laura asked how long the promotion of the Pegasus scheme has been paused for, Kerry said that the police have not shared this information. Mandy explained that it can still be used, but while they are making improvements, they are not doing anything to promote it.

Rosemarie introduced herself and shared a little bit about herself. She said:

- I have autism and find it difficult to speak new people.
- I am quiet and shy until I am comfortable with people.
- If you have a voice, you should use it if you can.
- I help people with Makaton and symbols.
- I like to learn new skills.

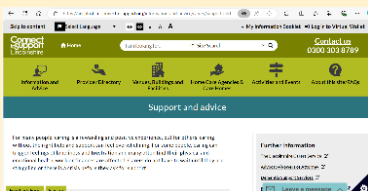


John thanked Rosemarie for sharing this with the Board.

Information and Advice

John welcomed Rachel, Sam and Julie who joined the Board to talk about the review of information and advice.

They explained that LCC Adult Care has a legal responsibility to make sure people have access to information and advice. They are updating the Connect to Support website and want to make sure it meets the needs of people with learning disability both in terms of what it includes and accessibility. They are considering all types of information and advice and not just this website.



Sam explained that they had looked for and found some pages for people with learning disabilities and included them on a slide.

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Louise explained that people with learning disability are not different and want the same things as everyone else, information needs to be presented in the right way. Louise asked Kerry and the Speak Out Leaders whether this would be something the Communications Working Group could support with. Kerry agreed and had the same idea.



Rachel told the group that they attend community connector sessions all-round the county so will share some information about these with Kerry (ACTION).



The Connect to Support website is being reviewed between November 2024 and January 2025 and the team would like the Partnership to support and will share information with the Board.

John thanked Rachel, Sam and Julie for talking to the Board.

Day Opportunities Strategy



John explained that there is work being done to look at what day opportunities services we have in Lincolnshire and what people want and need in the future. The Partnership are likely to be asked to get involved over the next 12 to 18 months to support this work. John will keep the Board and Partnership updated.

Learning Disability Big Plan



Louise explained that she had worked with Kerry, Peter, Michelle, David and Rosemarie to develop an engagement plan.

We plan to hold 3 workshops and have a survey available for anyone who cannot or does not want to attend.

This work was planned to take place in November and early December.

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However, Louise has been asked to update the managers within LCC on 28th October. This may mean the workshop dates have to change, and Louise will update the Partnership as soon as this is confirmed.

Any Other Business



John went around the room asking if people had any other business. Peter asked if there had been an update with regards to an individual not being able to get to swimming because they only had cash and the leisure centre did not accept cash. Kerry explained that this had been resolved for the person. John acknowledged that this is a problem for many and it's important that we support people to be able to use modern facilities where they can.



Rachel suggested speaking to Ian Brown from Active Lincs. Kerry explained that Ian is aware already.



Louise explained that it might be that we as the Board highlight the situation to ask Ian to consider how they are going to make sure people don't lose out by centres becoming cashless. Everyone agreed this would be a good idea. Action: Kerry and Louise to contact Ian on behalf of the Board.



Louise asked the Board whether this needed to be included in the learning disability big plan. Everyone felt that it should be. Action: Louise to check and include if not already something about the disadvantages people with learning disabilities face when paying for goods or services where cash is not accepted.



Peter also asked about how we should be coming together to make improvements.

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John explained that as part of the Day Opportunity work, an idea is being explored to bring together people as a community of practice to share and learn. There is work to do and it's important to continue to talk about this.



Kerry asked if Board members would be willing to complete a short bio about them, our roles and the work we do to help when she is talking to people about the Board.



Louise asked whether it would be better to have something that explained the role of the Board and reminded the group that we said we would develop Terms of Reference once we had developed the plan.

John suggested this should be a future agenda item so that we can talk about it properly. Everyone agreed.



Louise explained that work is being done to improve adult care leaflets and she will be sending an email to Kerry to ask her to share with the Partnership that asks people to have their say and how to get involved.

As there was still time left in the meeting John asked Michelle to share her personal experience that she had prepared.



It was an example of a time where she had been supported by the police very well. Everyone thanked Michelle for sharing her experience.

John thanked everyone for coming and joining in and closed the meeting.



Next meeting
Monday 13th January 2025