

Manchester Learning Disability Partnership Board

together



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Meetings for 2019

All meetings are held on a Tuesday

All meetings run from 10:30am to 12:30pm

22 January

26 March

4 June

23 July

23 September

26 November

We meet at Manchester People First's offices:

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What we did at the September 2018 Partnership Board Meeting

People who were at the meeting

Cllr Joanna Midgley	Manchester City Council
Catherine Campbell	Manchester City Council
Elizabeth Stevens	Manchester City Council
Dr Mel Chapman	MMU
Nikki Whitehead	Talbot House
Paul Hughes	Manchester People First
Joseph Rooney	Manchester People First
Stephen Hughes	Manchester People First
Rose Purcell	Self-Advocate
Kathy Mclver	Ordinary Lifestyles

People who could not make it to the meeting

Councillor Bev Craig	Manchester City Council
Lisa Jones	Central Mcr Foundation Trust
Joanne Smith	Manchester People First
Barry Edwards	Manchester People First
Andy Needle	Manchester People First
Tricia Wray	Self-Advocate
Julie Cunningham	Clinical Commissioning Group
Julie Hicklin	Special Education Needs and Disability Lead
Dr Claire Lake	GP Lead for Learning Disabilities and Autism

Updates from the last meeting: Buzz

After the last Board meeting a member of the Buzz team met Manchester People First. They are waiting for a Buzz Community Co-ordinator to help them put in for funding. The Shaw Centre have also put in for some funding and are waiting to hear back.



Provider update

Kathy McIver told us what went on at the Provider Forum, which was held last week.

Jonathan Gavin, the Quality Assurance Manager told the meeting about the new contract and quality roles.

Resources are targeted at services that are at higher risk.

The Quality Officers help services if they need to improve quality and pass Care Quality Commission inspections.

Julie Cunningham is the new Lead Commissioner for Learning Disabilities and Autism at the Clinical Commissioning Group. She introduced herself and talked about working with social care.

The Provider Forum talked about the offer of a big rise for Continuing Health Care and how this would work.

The providers thought this could have been handled better with joint commissioning.

Greater Manchester Gold

Dr Mel Chapman from Manchester Metropolitan University told the Board about a new 2-year project called GM Gold (Greater Manchester Growing Old with Learning Disabilities).

This is for people who have a learning disability, are over 50 years old, and live in any of the Greater Manchester areas, apart from Stockport and Trafford.

It will look at why some people from this group feel isolated and what can be done to make them feel more included in their communities.

The Big Lottery Fund, through Ambition for Ageing, is funding the project until March 2020.



It will be run with partner organisations Pathways Associates, Manchester People First, Future Directions, Spice, and My Life My Way.

Dr Chapman is looking for co-researchers who themselves are over 50, have a learning disability and live in Greater Manchester (apart from Stockport or Trafford). They also need to be able to travel independently.

The co-researchers will not be paid, but they will learn new skills and be able to try out some new activities.

If people want to find out more, there will be a meeting in early October and training will start in November or December.

The Board members were asked to tell anyone who might be interested and to stay in touch by following the project on Twitter @wearemgold

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Working with young people and families

Liz Stevens told us about some work called 'Preparation for Becoming an Adult'. This is for teenagers who are turning 18, when they will be classed as an adult, but will still need support from health, education, social care services and family and friends.

The work is to find out what needs to change to make this experience better and how services can be more joined up.

The people working on Preparation for Becoming an Adult, will meet parent-carer groups at the end of the year.

Liz asked self-advocates to think about what happened to them and worked well and what could have been better.

This will be done at the Think Quality Group. Catherine will tell Liz what was said.

Manchester City Council's Internal Audit Team has audited the Transition Social Work Team. There will be some changes made to the way they work and the Transition Team will be given updates every 3 months.

Liz will come to our November meeting to report on what has been done.

Health Updates: GP Services

Dr Claire Lake has written to us about some concerns we had at our last meeting. Her letter will be sent out with these notes. The concerns were about reasonable adjustments being made for adults with a learning disability when they have an appointment with their GP.



Dr Lake is doing a lot of work with GPs in Manchester to make them more aware of caring for adults with a learning disability, making reasonable adjustments and getting more of them to have an annual health check.

GPs have said that they only have a small amount of time to do annual health checks and if someone does not turn up for their appointment then a 30 to 40 minute appointment is wasted.

Board members had some ideas about how to get people to keep their appointments.

Dr Lake said she hopes to come to another Board meeting in the future.

NHS 10-Year Plan

The NHS is 70 years old. It is doing a consultation about what they can do over the next 10 years, to make sure people with a learning disability, or Autism, or both are supported to have a good life in their communities.

It was agreed that this would be looked at by the Think Quality Group and Catherine will send people's views to the NHS.

The deadline for this is 30 September.

Greater Manchester Learning Disability Strategy

The Greater Manchester Learning Disability Strategy was agreed between all the partners who make up the Greater Manchester Health and Social Care Partnership. It was co-produced by Confirm and Challenge.

It starts by thinking there are key problems that need to be overcome. These are:

- People do not feel the personalisation agenda has made a difference
- People have poorer health and are dying younger than people without a learning disability.
- Lots of people feel lonely or isolated.
- Very low numbers of people do paid work.
- They are more likely to come into contact with the criminal justice system.

To deal with these challenges, the Strategy makes 10 key commitments to improve people's lives.

In Manchester, a 'Core Strategy Group' has been set up to work on these 10 key commitments. It will give a report to each of our meetings on how it is doing.

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Welcome to our web site

We bring together learning disabled adults, carers and people from groups who run services.

We plan how to make things better for people with a learning disability.

Here you can download copies of our newsletter 'Together' and see what we do.

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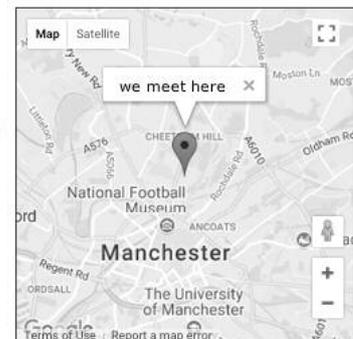
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Meetings for rest of 2017

19 September
21 November



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