

LOTHIAN LEARNING DISABILITY REVIEW

WORKING GROUP 6 - ADDITIONAL NEEDS

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 11 MAY 2006 AT 10AM, MACKINNON HOUSE BOARDROOM, ROYAL EDINBURGH HOSPITAL

1. Who was asked to come to today's meeting?

Michael Brown, Ewan Crawford, Wendy Dewar, Jane Kellock, Cathy King, Rona Laskowski, Alistair Littlejohn, Ros Lyall, Kitty Mason, Danny McGuinness, Duncan McIntyre, Breda McLoughlin, Mike Penny, Ian Quigley, Denis Rowley, John Russell, Susan Scotland, Lisa Shine, Polly Wright

2. Who is here?

Alistair Littlejohn, NHS Lothian
Jane Kellock, West Lothian CHCP (Chair)
Ros Lyall, NHS Lothian
Denis Rowley, Project Manager, Strategy Review
Duncan McIntyre, Midlothian Council
Susan Scotland, CLDN, NW Edinburgh
Ewan Crawford, G.P.
Phyllis Veitch, NHS Lothian (Minutes)
Rajen Magee,
Rona Laskowski, CEC (Health & Social Care)

3. Who has said they cannot come today?

Michael Brown, Phyllis Veitch, Breda McLoughlin,
Danny McGuinness

4. Minutes of last meeting

Agreed as accurate

5. “Voice of the Customer” Training

Susan talked about this. It is a method to address problems and find solutions. It comes from the business world. You make a list of all your customers, then talk to some of them about problems that the organisation has identified. You get an idea of the needs and requirements of the customer and the organisation then you identify solutions.

Susan thinks that this approach would be useful in the Homeless Group. Lesley Reid thinks there may be some money from Drug and Alcohol Services to fund training for this for a small group to do this.

Susan has sent a proposal to Denis. Denis wonders if there are enough people to fit into the requirements of the model and if it can be done within the timeframe. The proposal will be circulated to the Additional Needs Group.

If funding is secured, then the training could be widened to other groups. Ros suggested the Forensic Group through Patient and Public Involvement. Denis suggested people with high functioning Autism/Aspergers.

Timeframes for Voice of the Customer would be four months. It may be difficult to fit in to the time available for the Review. However, Denis will talk to the Review Board about how we consult about the review. Denis and Susan will take it forward.

6. What have the sub-groups been doing?

Older people with learning disability – Alistair Littlejohn

Attendance is still a problem. There is a very detailed draft report which should be ready to be circulated at the end of May. Denis asked Alistair to write an extract to be put in the Interim Review Report. Alistair will do this by 17 May 2006.

People with Learning Disabilities who have poor Mental Health – John Russell

In general, there is difficulty getting representatives from local authorities and voluntary sector and user representatives on all the sub-groups. Denis and Ros will meet to discuss the mental health group.

People with Learning Disabilities who have forensic issues

Ros sent the papers round and has only had one reply. Ros will prepare an abstract for Denis by 17 May 2006. Denis will take the abstract from forensic and mental health to the voluntary sector reference group, chaired by Shula Allen.

People with learning disabilities who are homeless and PWLD who have addictions – Susan Scotland

Again, it has been difficult to get people to come to the meetings. There is difficulty in mapping out services and identifying the people involved. Susan will write up an abstract for 17 May 2006.

People with learning disabilities who have Challenging Behaviour – Danny McGuinness

The last meeting had to be cancelled. They have had five meetings so far. Again there has been poor local authority representation. Rona had secured representation from City of Edinburgh Council but no one is attending. Jane, Rona, Polly and Duncan to discuss. PCP Group does not have good health presence. Denis will look at methodology used in community engagement that may be better than the traditional working group method

There is a draft Website for the review www.lothianlearningdisabilityreview.com . There will be voice summaries on the website.

People with Profound and Multiple Disabilities

Jane Kellock is moving job and cannot take on the role of chairing this group. Denis is discussing the chairing role with Ewan Crawford. The GP sub-committee would have to be approached to free up Ewan's time.

Membership of voluntary sector needs to be identified. Denis will invite suitable groups. Other representatives would include Breda McLaughlin, Bob Waddell, Anne Findlay and Kitty Mason.

Paper on Epilepsy

Michael Brown and John Russell will be updating this with input from Janet Henderson, Epilepsy West Lothian.

Paper on General Health Services

The General Medical Services Group 2 is meeting to discuss how to set up a register in general practice.

The Borders Learning Disability Health Needs Assessment report will be looked at to see if it is useful.

7. When and where will we next meet?

Thursday 22 June 2006 3pm – 5pm
PLEASE NOTE THAT THE TIME HAS HAD TO BE
ALTERED TO ACCOMODATE US AT THE ABILITY
CENTRE

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Thursday 31 August 10am – 12noon

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