



Notes from the meeting on 10th November 2011

Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust 



Who was there?



Richard Maxfield
Councillor Les Ames
Philippa Scott
Paul St Quintin
Glen Gocoul
Allyson Evans
Kate Healing

Co-Chair
Care Champion

Strategic Commissioning Manager
Head of Specialist Adult Services
Partnership Board Project Officer
Supported Living Manager



Val Morton
Shirley Smith
Tim Rose *Co-chair*
Wendy Webb
Rod Oughton
Lesley Mellor
Rachel Mason
Jackie Moon



Dorset Parent Carers Council, Chair
Family Carers Coordinator
Dorset Parent Carer Council



Pete Lawrence
Victoria Waller
Chris Mellor
Sally Scott



Lorraine Bailey



Julie Moverley



Jo Findlay
Health Facilitator



Frances Stevens
Learning Disability Lead

Who couldn't come?

Debbie Ward
Sharon Morgan
Kerry Martin

Dorset County Council
Dorset County Council
Dorset People First

Our meeting, at-a-glance



1. Notes from the last meeting



2. News since the last meeting

Updates on what has happened since we last met.



3. Health Update

How well are Health Services looking after people with learning disabilities?
Read our report.



4. Annual Conference

“Your Money and Your Life”



5. Changes to Day Services

We found out what people think about the changes. What happens now?



6. People First Project: “Your Good Health”

How easy is it to use Health Services?



7. Person Centred Planning for Young People

Person Centred Plans help people to be in control of their own lives.



1. Notes from the last meeting

The notes from 7th July 2011 were agreed.

2. News since the last meeting



Some board members were worried about a **fence** around a building at Purbeck Care. We checked with Purbeck Care that it does not affect people's **freedom**.



There will be **changes** because of the **abuse** at Winterborne View. We think this will not happen until the spring. People First Dorset are making a **film** for people with a learning disability all about keeping people **safe**.



We hope that **Quality Checking** will happen in homes run by private companies.



People's **mental health** should be checked as part of their annual **health checks**. Health Action Plans are being used. They are very helpful when people have to go into **hospital**.



Family Carers should be able to get **assessments**. The Community Learning Disability Teams do these. Carers can phone or call in at one of the 6 Dorset County Council **Local Offices**. There should be **information** about support for carers at doctor's surgeries.



People think the Partnership Board is working **better**. Carers can get a form to claim their **expenses** from Allyson at the meetings.



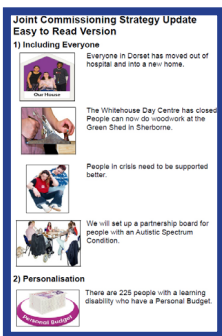
The new **Changing Place** in Weymouth should be ready in **May**. Kerry is doing some work to find out how the **Radar Key Scheme** is working in Dorset.



The Partnership Board agreed a new way of looking for bids to the **Bertha Norwood Fund**. Tim Rose, Lesley Mellor and Paul St Quintin will look at any bids.



We want to set up a **photo library** of pictures of Dorset. It will be on the internet. People can use the pictures to help people to **understand information** and **communicate**. We will look at how this is going when we meet in January.



Paul St Quintin told us that the **plan** to make things happen (the 'Joint Commissioning Strategy for Learning Disability') has been **updated**. It is at:

<http://dorset.ldpb.info/data/file/Joint%20Commissioning%20Strategy%20Update%20Oct%202011.pdf>

3. Health Update



How well are **Health Services** are looking after people with a learning disability? Find the updated **report** on the Partnership Board website:

<http://dorset.ldpb.info/our-work/health/health-reports.html>

4. Annual Conference



Our annual **conference** was called “**Your Money and Your Life**”. Richard Maxfield told us about it. Find his **presentation** on our web site:

<http://dorset.ldpb.info/our-work/fulfilling-lives.html>

Allyson Evans talked about what people liked and did not like on the day.



We will have another conference **next year**. It will be in Weymouth on **October 11th**. We might have more **workshops** in the afternoon. Allyson Evans and Sally Scott will meet to talk about it.

5. Changes to Day Services



Sally Scott told us about the meetings People First have had in the day centres. They found out about what is **important to people who use the centres**.

187 people with learning disabilities came to **meetings** or filled in **questionnaires**. Many people said that they do not mind if day services **change**. Most people also said that being able to spend **less** time in day services would have a **bad effect** on them and their **carers**.



The **Cabinet**, Dorset County Council’s main committee, will think about the ideas and **decide** what should happen next.



When the Cabinet have written their report, people will get another chance to **say what they think**.



6. People First Project: “Your Good Health”



Victoria Waller and Chris Mellor from People First Dorset came to tell us about this work. They want to **help** people with a learning disability to **use their local health centres**. Frances Stevens said the work will help the NHS know how to make services **better**.



Pete Lawrence told us about not being able to get to his doctor’s room at the surgery. The **lift** was **too small** for Pete’s wheelchair. **Doctors** need to change the way they work if people cannot get into health service buildings. For example, Pete’s doctor will do his **health checks** at **Pete’s house** now.

7. Person Centred Planning for Children and Teenagers



Lesley Mellor told us about work being done about young people’s **Person Centred Plans**.

There is a Transitions ‘roadshow’ that visits all the **special schools** each year. This helps families think about getting ready for young people **moving on**.

Person Centred Plans give people a way to plan for the **future**. Being able to get and understand **information** is important.



Dorset Parent Carers Council have a **website**:
www.dorsetparentcarercouncil.co.uk

Any other Business?

a) **Giving Us a Voice Charter.** Allyson will send this to Board members. We will decide about signing up for this at the January meeting.



b) **'In It Together'.** People First Dorset are having a meeting on 24th November. People can ask questions about cuts to their services.



c) **Easy Read.** Sometimes people get letters and other information that they cannot understand.

You can get stickers from People First to tell people about this. You put them on the letters and post them back to the person who sent them.



Dates and places for Future Meetings:

January 12th 2012 Stratton Village Hall

April 19th 2012 Dorchester Football Ground

July 12th 2012 Dorchester Cricket Pavillion

Conference: 11th October 2012, Weymouth

November 8th 2012 Dorchester Cricket Pavilion

And finally...



Diversity Statement

The Dorset Learning Disability Partnership Board believes in treating people equally and valuing the differences.

Terms of Reference

Our aims, rules and information about how the Board is run.

They can be found here:

http://dorset.ldpb.info/data/file/LDPB%20ToR_Revised%20May%202009.pdf

