



Kent Learning Disability Partnership Board Minutes

Date: Thursday 4 May 2023

Location: This meeting was held virtually via Zoom

Who was there?

Attendees:

Daniel Hewitt - Joint Co-Chair of the Kent LD Partnership Board

Alyson Wagget - KCC, Assistant Director, Social Care and Health (East) Thanet and South Kent Coast

Chelsea Roberts - KCC, Stakeholder Engagement Support Officer (minutes)

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Who was there? (Continued)

Attendees:

Cheryll Champion – LDC Care Co, Quality and Compliance Manager

Alex Scott – Self Advocate, joint Co-Chair of the Keeping Safe Group

Andrew – Self Advocate, Aspens

Chris Evans – Parent Carer

Elle Meehan – KCC, Team Manager, Adult Social Care

Ian Brandon - Kent and Medway CCG, Assistant Director of Nursing & Quality

Janine Jacquin – Aspens

John Briggs – Self Advocate

Liese Sutton - Self Advocate, Aspens

Linda Chapman – Parent carer

Louise Flatman - North Kent Independent Advocacy Scheme (NKIAS)

Marie Hackshall – System Programme Lead – Learning Disability and Autism

Michael Lillis - Self Advocate, Bemix

Nic Smith – Kent and Medway ICB, LDA Senior Program Manager

Paul Jerome – KCC, Communication and Information Officer

Robyn Swirles – KCC, Administration Assistant Apprentice

Sammy Lamb - Self Advocate, Bemix

Steve Chapman – Self Advocate, Bemix, Co-Chair of the What I Do Group

Shane Springate – Self Advocate, Aspens

Toni Easdown – KCC, Stakeholder Engagement Officer

Tony Faulkner - Self Advocate, Aspens

Trevor Chapman – Parent Carer

Vanessa Cowley – Self Advocate, East Kent Mencap

Xan Brooker - KCC, Senior Commissioner

Zandrea Stewart – Inspired Purpose

Welcome

Welcome from Daniel Hewitt, the joint co-chair of the Partnership Board



Daniel welcomed everyone. Daniel went through the housekeeping rules.

Learning Disability Partnership Board website

Paul introduced himself to everyone and explained he would be providing an update on the progress of the Learning Disability website.

The old website stopped working, decided that we would build a new one that was fit for purpose.



A workshop was held last year with partnership board members to discuss what we want from the website, this included:

- Refreshed look for the website
- More easy read information
- To not overload on information
- To keep the website clear for navigation
- Lots of pictures to make it feel more personal

Action: Members to let Paul know if they would like to be involved in the website testing or have their photos on the website.

Learning Disability Partnership Board website (continued)

COMPLETED Action: Toni to provide contact for Robyn Swirls to connect with Vanessa.



Board members suggested the additional feedback:

- Can this be for Kent & Medway?
- Can there be a space for information on Autism and ADHD?
- A space for recruitment and to advertise roles and responsibilities
- To include the whole of learning disability and neurodivergent communities, not just the partnership board members
- A space for developing neurodiversity
- Emotional unstable personality disorder, information that can be shared
- Carers, links to connect with other organisations

Action: Links and other information that can go on the Kent Connect to Support website to be sent to Paul Jerome or Toni Easdown.

Action: Kent Connect to Support website link to be shared with board members.

Learning Disability Partnership Board reset update

Alyson provided an update on the Partnership Board reset report.

The full report was previously shared with board members.



Partnership Board workplan

Alyson provided an update on the partnership board workplan.

Action: Updates and progress on the work priorities will be discussed at all future meetings so the Board and other people can be kept updated and get involved.

Suggestions from the board:

- There should be a wider variety of diverse groups included in this board, such as LGBTQ and other communities to be more inclusive.
- A plan of who should be a member of this board - elected members?



Action: Toni to send partnership board members an update on how the priorities of the partnership board and the Kent and Medway Learning Disability and Autism programme link together.



Learning Disability Partnership Board reset update (continued)

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- A plan of who should be a member of this board - elected members?



Action: Toni to send partnership board members the list of priorities and how they link together. Feedback welcomed.

Co-Chair of the Board

Alyson provided an update on the Learning Disability partnership board Co-Chair.

Action: A new Co-Chair (a person with a learning disability or an autistic person) will be recruited to the Board (the Board will help to choose this person).

Action: The new Co-Chair will have a clear description of their role (this will be co-produced by the Board).

Action: The description for the Co-Chair role and the accessible interview process to be agreed by the next meeting in June 2023.

Suggestions from this board:

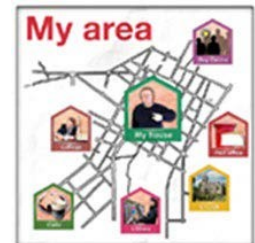
- Will there be a shadow chair?
- Will the chair role be rotating?

Learning Disability Partnership Board reset update (continued)

Action: Small working group to come together at the beginning of June to work through the co-chair actions.

Local Groups

Alyson provided an update on local groups.



Action: More work will be done to look at what is happening across Kent and where there will be gaps, update to be brought back to this Board for the next meeting in June 2023.

Action: Toni to look at how the 'What I Do Group' and other groups link into the workstreams.

Suggestions from this board:

- Representatives from Ukraine?

Can link with Learning Disability England to develop these networks and share learning about intersections.



- The visual diagram is confusing to understand.

Action: Lisa to update the visual diagram to be made easier to read and follow, to be brought back to this board in June 2023.

- To ask board members how they would like to contribute to things.

Learning Disability Partnership Board reset update (continued)

Future meetings

Alyson discussed whether future meetings should be face to face or on Zoom.



COMPLETED Action: Chelsea to contact members to see if they would like to meet in person or virtually in the June meeting.

Action: Alyson to look at what Carers Support are doing and provide an update.

Action: Toni to send information to board members on the upcoming Care Summit event.

Presentations

A copy of minutes from the Kent Learning Disability Partnership Board will be made available on the Partnership's website:

www.kentldpb.org.uk



Board Meeting dates for 2023

Thursday 4 May

Thursday 22 June

Thursday 7 September

Thursday 14 December