

**Hambleton and Richmondshire
Local Area Group**
Minutes of the meeting held on
Thursday
7th September, 2017
At Goosecroft Centre, Goosecroft Lane, Northallerton
10am to 2.15 pm



		Item
1		<p>Thelma Thomas welcomed everyone to the meeting. Susan Watson read out apologies. Thelma explained the house keeping. Julie explained the rules. Thelma reminded everybody to sign in and fill in the feedback forms at the end of the meeting.</p> <p>Apologies: Helen Bingham, Elaine Croft, Lindsey Allen, Kim Sanders.</p>
2.		<p><u>Minutes and Action Points of the Last Meeting</u> Page 7 – The title of ‘Northallerton Community Learning Disability Team Update’ should read ‘Hambleton and Richmondshire Community Learning Disability Team Update’. Minutes were then agreed as a true record.</p>

		<p><u>Action Points were updated.</u> These will be sent separately.</p>
3		<p>The agenda today has changed. In Section 5 instead of role play and how can you make a choice there was feedback on a new easy read version of a safe places leaflet and a letter on the accessible information standard. In Section 6 instead of Make Your Choice group work we changed to Looking at Choices group work.</p>
4		<p>Agree Together Group – Celestino did a presentation which will follow in another email.</p> <p>North Yorkshire Self Advocate Forum – 20th June 2017 - Julie did a presentation which will follow in another email.</p>
5.		<p>Community Safety Task Group update.</p> <p>The last meeting 5th June, 2017, was at Stonecross, Northallerton. We talked about the local Prevent Practitioners Group where we get regular updates nationally. We now have a Community Safety Hub in both Hambleton and Richmondshire. Jo Butler is the new Richmondshire Coordinator.</p> <p>We talked about the monthly report we get from the SPS Call Centre regarding about Safe Places. We also talked about self advocates designing a poster to promote safe places.</p> <p>People are still signing up to join Safe Places</p>

	  	<p>but we need to keep reminding people.</p> <p>Phase 2 of Safe Places has not yet started. There is still quite a lot of work to do.</p> <p>Thelma asked if there was a list available of Safe Places in other areas.</p> <p>Sue said there is a map on the Safe Places website showing where Safe Places are in other areas. All Safe Places are marked on the map with a red dot. If you do not want to look at the map there is a list of places where Safe Places are. Sue showed people the map.</p> <p>The Community Safety Task Group have made 3 draft leaflets. The 3 leaflets are about medicine, illegal drugs, and alcohol. Hopefully by the next Community Safety Task Group meeting on 11th September the leaflets will have been agreed by Gina Allen.</p>
6.		<p>Make Your Choice: Self Advocates Film. Belinda showed the film that was made by Self Advocates. The film explains what a Self Advocate is and what a Self Advocate does. The Self Advocates also want to make other short films about the Partnership Board for example the Health Task Group and Self Advocate Forum. This will be talked about at the Partnership Board on 5th September, 2017.</p> <p>Belinda said that one of the jobs of a Self Advocate is to find information out at the Partnership Board and then tell everybody else about it. An example of this is Safe Places.</p>



Self Advocates have said that they are finding it is difficult to tell people about Safe Places as they have nothing to give to people, Self Advocates have now made an easy read Safe Places flyer which will get printed and shared.

Nathan said he would like to take some of the Safe Places Flyers to Abbey care.

Sue said she went to EasiWorkes in Easingwold on 4th September and a lot of people said they wanted to sign up to Safe Places. Thelma asked Sue if Safe Places information has been passed on to carers and youth groups? Sue said 'Yes' . Sue also said when a lot of people visited the Goosecroft Centre in August and they were told about Safe Places and they have joined up.



Belinda said that a lot of Self Advocates have said that a lot of information they get is still not available in Easy Read or audio. Belinda said that since July 2016 all organisations that provide health or social care must legally give information in a way that is easy to read and understand. This the Accessible Information Standard.



Self Advocates are going to make a letter to encourage organisations, that provide health and social care, to make information in easy read.

7.		COFFEE BREAK
8.		<p><u>Group Work - Looking at Choices</u> . Each group was given 3 situations and you said what you would do in each of these situations. The feedback is attached in another e mail.</p>
9.		LUNCH
10	  	<p><u>Health Matters.</u> Tara gave an update.</p> <p>GP Surgery Audit. This came after a CQC inspection at Mayford House GP Surgery. Some issues were raised and Sue Lear was contacted about how things could be made better. On 13th September, 2017, Sharon Spink, Home Care Assessor, Bev Wilson, Sue Lear and 2 service users will be at the GP practice to carry out an audit. This will be a walk through the service looking at things such as signs and accessibility etc. Feedback will then be given to the surgery. If it is found to be useful we could do this at other GP Surgeries.</p> <p>Thelma asked if the audit also covered the car parking outside. Sue said 'Yes'.</p> <p>GP Liaison Dr Whaley and the community nurses have been visiting GP practices, asking GPs what information they could give so they are ready for annual health checks. GPs would like a short update before the Annual Health Check. One month before the Service Users birthday, The Community Learning Disability Team will fill in a form, one</p>



from each professional involved in client care. This will be sent to the GP so they know what we are doing.

Sue asked if the form was going to be the same across the county. Tara said she would check.

The form that is being sent to the GPs will be in another e mail.



Team Information The Community Learning Disability Team now have a new Occupational Therapist, Suzanne Hilton, who is working part-time. They also have a new administrator, Diane Wallacer, if people phone the team they might speak to her or Linda Jones.



Local Authority Training The Community Learning Disability Team have given some training to Local Authority Social Care Assessors. This is because many are new to learning disabilities. They have given them with information about who the team are and what they do.

Barbara said that the START Team is now called the Reablement Team. The Reablement Team no longer do short term assessments.

Monthly Liaison Meetings the Community Learning Disability Team liaise with the Local Authority to keep good links as they now have shared clients and processes.





Health Action Plans and Training The Community Learning Disability Team will be giving training to service providers showing them the new Health Action Plan form and how to fill these in. Anyone on the old form can keep it or change to new form. The new Health Action Plan asks the same questions but it is in colour with pictures and easy read. It is now for Carers to complete.

Margaret Webb, Carer, said she is worried that workers are now generic workers and not specific workers. She said she thought that this change is totally unnecessary. Tara said that they have monthly meetings with Health and Adult Services workers to discuss things. It is work in progress.



Sue said that the County Council did not have a choice with regard to the change in workers roles. They have had to follow the new Care Act. Margaret replied that people with special needs are too vulnerable to go through this change. They have not been given any choice of their own. Margaret is feeding back to as many people as possible and sharing her worries. Tara said that they are having as many joint meetings as possible to give training and make workers aware of what is available.



Robert Dick asked Tara what the process was if he was assessed? How would he be assessed? Tara said it depends upon your situation. If you live with other people the worker would get in touch with you and see about arranging a meeting somewhere else. The problem with meeting a person where they work is the lack of privacy. The worker

		<p>will ask you how you are doing, are you getting the right support and how you feel things are going. Tara did say that workers now have different titles but they do the same type of work.</p>
11		<p><u>Any Other Business</u> The number of people attending the meeting is disappointing. Co Chairs will discuss this further. The dates of the meetings in 2018 have not yet been agreed.</p> <p><u>Anything else to tell North Yorkshire Learning Disability Partnership Board.</u></p> <p>No.</p>
12		<p><u>Feedback Forms and Finish</u> We completed the feedback forms.</p>
13		<p>Date for next meeting: To be confirmed.</p>

People Who Attended.	
Julie Dodsworth	Self Advocate Co Chair
Thelma Thomas	Independent Co Chair
Celestino Cansado Fernandez	Self-Advocate
Karen Ravenhill	Self Advocate
Pauline Dodsworth	Self Advocate
Robert Dick	Self Advocate
Nathan Middlemess Dry	Self Advocate
Andrea Wyeth	Self Advocate
Steve Grant	Support Worker for Celestino Cansado Fernandez
Margaret Webb	Carer

Andy Watson	65A Valley Road, Northallerton. Had to leave at 12.00 noon
Barbara Beadle	Service Manager
Belinda Croce	Keyring
Tara Lawrence	Community Learning Disability Team
Sue Lear	Valuing People Coordinator
Joe McKechnie	Hambleton District Council
Susan Watson	Minute Taker.