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**HLDP MINUTES**

**Meeting held on Wednesday**

**27 September 2023**

On Teams

**Who was here**:

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| Cllr Neville Penman (Co-chair), Richard Dore (Co-chair),  Donna Harrison (HCC), Alice Madden-Curtis (HCC)  Self-Advocates: Leon Major, Marcia Lawman, James Elsworthy, Fahmina Hoque, Dave Humphries (Chair HLDP Carers Group) Ann Barker (Representative Complex Needs Group) Trish Moody (Voice Ability Advocacy) Nicki Bishop (Voice Ability) Karen Falconer (Voyage Care) Steve Almond (You Trust) Amanda Lee (Engagement & Development Officer for HCC) |
| **Apologies:**  Robert White, Emma Denton, Arun Sandhu, Steve Gowtridge, Katie Alexander |
| **Previous Minutes:**  The minutes were approved and signed off.  **ACTIONS from previous meeting:**  Were all completed  **Welcome and rules were read out**  **Introductions from everyone**  MinutesTick Yes  Rules Yes 5A  Hello8 |
| **Self-Advocates** **of the HLDP** gave an update on the working groups - presentation attached  All attending thanked the self-advocates for their update. We talked about videos and self-advocates expressed they are keen to make more of these.  Dave was asked to complete his presentation before the break due to being ahead of the agenda  **Dave Humphries - Chair of Carers’ Working Group**  gave an update - presentation attached  Dave said there are 98 carers in the Facebook group now. The budget consultation had low responses from carers, a sense of apathy. Dave explained there are 3 working groups focusing on Assessments, Respite and GP Access.  Interesting presentation on trauma informed care recently.  Want to highlight to GPs where people are carers, new carers strategy needed, current one runs until 2023.  Talked about a proposed merge with the Complex Needs group from carers’ who attend both.  A discussion followed about the Complex Needs group and how the carers group is ‘for carers’ and the Complex Needs group is carers’ attending as advocates on behalf of the person who has complex needs; and has a different purpose.  **Break**  A picture containing tea  Description automatically generated    ID Badge 1 |
| **Changes in Direct Payments –**  Reminder letters being sent out, people will receive one if they get a direct payment  Alice and Donna explained the changes in Direct Payments which mean more can be done online and the payment dates will change meaning the amount received is always the same  People asked for calendars, these have been sent out with the letters  Self-Advocates asked if the letters are in Easy Read  One Self-Advocate was interested to start having Direct Payments and were told where they can get support  Some concerns raised on sharing bank information on line  A Self-Advocate could join the Direct Payments sub group  Slides can be shared about the process  **Ann Barker updated on the Complex Needs Group -** presentation attached  Spoke about DOLs and the challenges with that.  Want to keep the Complex Needs group, to make sure the daily needs and difficulties people face are not left out of the planning. People living longer with improvements in medication and Complex Needs cases are increasing.  Alison is the new chair and knows a great deal about Complex Needs and what can be done.  A Self-Advocate complimented the Complex Needs group and how it must be difficult for carers’ too. An opportunity to meet with someone with Complex Needs can be arranged - Action AL  10 minutes not long enough to feedback – action AL      A picture containing tea  Description automatically generated  **Break**  **Discussion – Direct Payments**  What could the support service do to help?   * Having written information in Easy Read * Meet communication needs * Advice on benefits system as it is difficult to understand * Direct payments give more choice * Two self-advocates interested in direct payments   AOB  The next meeting will be in person in Eastleigh  Self-advocates are working on surveys and will feed back to the Partnership  Self-advocates are sharing cards about the website  There will be a Christmas Newsletter  Richard and Cllr Penman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting –  the next meeting will be in person 13 December 2023  A person with his hand up  Description automatically generated with low confidence  Any Other Business    **Actions:**   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | B to be contacted re representative for the Partnership | Amanda to make contact | Amanda | Done | |  |  |  |  | | Recruit more self-advocates | Feedback on new recruits at the Partnership | Steve and Amanda | Ongoing | |  |  |  |  | | Contact Ann and daughter re meeting | Amanda to action | Amanda | Ongoing | |  |  |  |  | | Work on Draft proposal for Partnership provider | Put a plan together | Steve and Amanda | Ongoing | |  |  |  |  |  | | Share annual report executive summary from cabinet if possible | Cllr Withers/Amanda | Cllr Withers | Carry forwards | |  |  |  |  | | Share details with Self-Advocates of the Direct Payments Group | Amanda to share | Amanda | Done | |  |  |  |  | | More time needed for other working groups to feedback | Feedback to planning team | Amanda | Done -  5 minutes added | |  |  |  |  | | Link Self-Advocates to DP group to find out more | Amanda to contact Rachel | Amanda | Ongoing | |  |  |  |  | | Confirm venue for next meeting once booked | Well Place, Eastleigh | Amanda | Done | |  |  |  |  | |
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