January 18

Topic – Newsletter and Partnership Meeting



Communication Working Group



You Said

18 January 2024

We had no meeting in December as it was close to Christmas

Tanya told us about the work she is doing in Braille for the Koala project

You said you think the website and newsletter work should be done by this group

We Did

Amanda and Tanya are working every week on this until the end of March

We will check these regularly in this group in 2024



Communication Working Group



You Said

18 January 2024

You said this group should increase access for people with learning disabilities

This group could share good practice examples of Easy read with others

You gave updates of where you have gone for survey responses and to keep sharing the survey for a few months

We Did

We will look at the website together and make some updates in the next meeting

Easy Read work has been done in other working groups too

We are keeping a list of where we have visited and where we need to visit

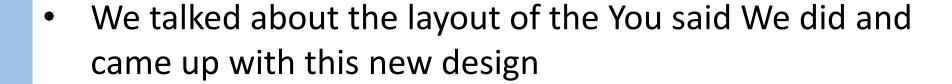
February 15

Topic – Improving You Said We Did









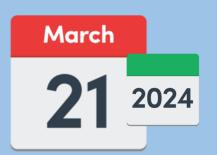


- You said you like the Easy Read style
- You said you want to keep the colours and some of the old design as you like it
- We put your ideas together and made this design



March 21

Topic – Recruiting more selfadvocates and parent carers







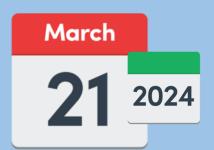
 We talked about recruiting more self-advocates to the working groups



Everyone gave their ideas



- You said what is important and what skills a selfadvocate needs to have
- You made the poster and we have this ready now for events and to promote in other places











- We will finish the poster and print it for events
- We have put easy read information on the website to recruit self-advocates and one person has contacted us

- You said what a parent carer advert should say
- You would like parent carers to add to the website
- We will share the poster where parent carers will see it

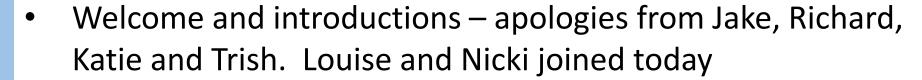
April 18

Topic – Making videos and self-advocate communication











We talked about making videos and you gave ideas on what you would like

You said you would like annual health check videos by a

nurse to show to doctors and nurses to all practices
 We said many places are looking at annual health checks



 Trish said she is working on this in Newham for VoiceAbility and may ask for your help

like Lincolnshire, Northamptonshire & Cambridgeshire











- You said a video about confidence would be good
- You said two of you are doing videos to train staff about your hospital experiences with Winchester University
- You said you would like to do a video about the Partnership and training package from Koala
- You thought after chatting about it that videos should not be too long about 2-4 minutes each



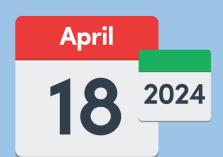




- You said you would like your videos go on the website
- You said it is important to ask people if they want to be in a video

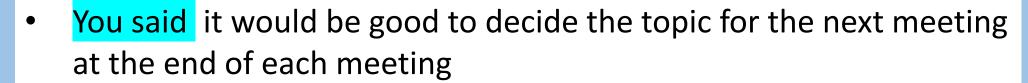


- You gave a list of questions to Amanda to ask all the selfadvocates before the next meeting about what they want to do
- We will bring this back to a future meeting to plan next steps
- You said you have received your easy read dates for chairing











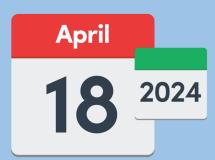
You said the chair can decide and then you can discuss together







 We will make a list of what you prefer and post the agenda at least two weeks before the meeting for those who want paper copies – We said we will call TH to talk through the agenda







 You said if you chair the meeting you would like a call to talk about the topic before meeting



• We will call you before you chair the meeting to talk about the topic



You said you enjoy having guest speakers

May 16

Topic – Oliver McGowan
Training and Connect2Support











- Welcome and introductions apologies from Marcia, Richard,
 Tanya Maria, Ade and Louise joined today
- We heard about the Oliver McGowan training and Maria explained how self-advocates could be involved in this
- A training trio is needed of a trainer and two people with lived experience of autism and learning disabilities
- Training will be provided before the sessions over 3 days
- If you do this role you would need to work one day a month











- The role and transport would be paid
- There are easy read materials such as a job description and support before and after the sessions
- You would go on a national register as a trainer and get a certificate
- You said where would training be answer is Hampshire only
- You asked where venues will be answer they can be chosen together
- You said you would like more information and are interested











- Louise spoke about the new style Connect 2 Support website
- You said what you thought and gave your feedback on the design
- You said what you thought about the new PA website design
- You will think about the training and decide if you want to help sessions
- Next time we will work together on the Partnership presentation

June 20

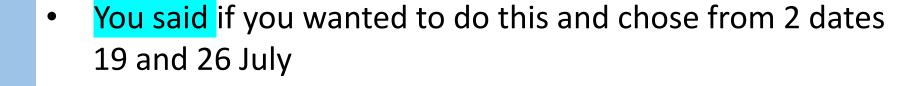
Topic – Co-production work and voting







 We heard about the Oliver McGowan training and dates for learning more about it if you want to try the training





 We said we would like some self-advocates to make a video talking about coproduction to explain what it is like



- You said some of you would like to do this
- We will contact you to talk through the questions and then make the film together











- We said the Partnership meeting is postponed for June and the next will be September due to elections
- We said the different ways you can vote and to take ID
- You said none of the parties have said anything about disabilities
- We said the manifestos can be read here but not all parties have added them yet General Election 2024 Easy Read manifestos | Mencap
- You said a health passport is coming out from NHS England as a national template – it is not in Easy Read yet



Topic – Health film feedback and New CART phone message











- You said the videos you made with Winchester University and Life Lens were shared on Tuesday night with lots of good feedback
- You said you would like more opportunities to make videos like this
- We said we would like your feedback on the new CART message
- CART is the contact centre for Hampshire County Council when you ring in











- You said the option 4 would be better as option 2
- You said to tell people to have a pen handy for information to write down – like the website address
- You said you would like to know your number in the queue
- You said could there be an option 6 for 'anything else'
- We said thank you and we will pass this feedback and your ideas onto the CART team

September 19

Topic – Presentation Preparation and Newsletter







 We looked over the last 6 months to make the Partnership Presentation



 We talked about the Christmas newsletter and what we should include



 We spent a long time on the presentation as there was lots to look







• Our meeting overran a bit but we got it done!



Well done everyone

October

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Topic – CART and Connect to Support





Connect to Support Hampshire





- You said what you liked about the photos for Connect to Support
- We said these are photos for the new Connect to Support website and we want to know what you think about them and choose the best ones to use
- You said you liked the second image more than the last one and photos where it is clear what the person is doing. Like wearing work clothes in the work photo
- We said thank you for your feedback which will be used to make the final decisions











- We said thank you for your feedback to the CART team
- The CART team gave a presentation to show how all of your feedback and comments were used
- You said it was great to hear your ideas had been used and it feels 'absolutely amazing' to know your feedback made good changes for everyone
- You said for the Christmas newsletter what you will do
- Jake fun facts Richard co-chair introduction and year summary. Tanya about braille work. James about video and being safe.

November

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Topic – Partnership Presentation and Christmas Newsletter November 2024

Communication Working Group You Said, We Did









- We worked together on the presentation for the Partnership going through the slides together
- We talked about the Christmas newsletter
- We said what we would add to the Christmas newsletter

This will be the last meeting before Christmas