LEARNING DISABILITY PARTNERSHIP MEETING



MINUTES



Who came along:			
Anne Speake	Janice Denton	Fiona McPherson	Donna Howls
Aimee Borzoni	Kim Sui	Jackie Kidd	Pat Foolis
Andrew Jamieson	Angela Robertson	Carmen Gillies	Tracy Geddes
Muka Simpson	Willie Ritchie	Tracie Wills	Lillian Morrrison
Sarah Watt	Mandy Morrison	Michelle Stephen	Will Ross
Matt Hu	Scott Wood	Paul Nessling	Mhorag Duncan
Jeanie	Lorraine Rowie	Francis Garrety	Shirley Ramage
Gerrard	Karen Gardiner	Jasmine Walker	Louise Munro
James Kail	Alison Mckay	Edward Fitsell	Linda McRobbie
lan Stewart	Daniel Riddoch	John Mulliu	Ann Irvine
Ronald Castle	Aimee Killa	Jackie Mainland	Isobel Weir
Laura Simpson	Mark Johnston	Marie McDonald	Linda Stewart
Lynne Ramsay	Janette Topp		

AGENDA ITEM	WHAT WE TALKED ABOUT
1. Welcome Welcome!	Chair Councillor Lorna Creswell and co-chair Wayne Taylor said who they were, welcomed everyone to the partnership meeting and told us the theme we would be talking about today. Lorna said we were all sad to hear that a popular service user had died.

2. What happened at the last meeting	Lorna said copies of the note of what happened at the last meeting, known as 'minutes', were on the tables along with the pictures showing what happened which were drawn by Paul and Malcolm.					
	Everyone was happy that the notes were right.					
	Have we done what we said we would do?					
	Going Places, Doing Things – We will be talking about this theme again later today.					
	Out of Darkness Theatre Company – We said we would let people know when the taster sessions are going to be. We still haven't got the information so Carmen will remind Out of the Darkness to pass it on as soon as they can.					
	Joining up Health & Social Care – When Lorna goes to other meetings she tells them about the things we talk about in our partnership meetings so things are more joined up.					
	Enable ACE Meetings – No one from ACE could come to the meeting today to tell us what they are doing. Hopefully they can come to the next meeting.					
3. Wake Up, Warm Up	Harlequins performed some songs and taught us some Makaton. Everyone joined in and had good fun.					
	<u>What we are going to do:</u> We have asked Harlequins to do morning and afternoon wake up, warm ups at every meeting.					
4. What we talked about at the last	The theme at our last meeting was Going Places, Doing Things.					
meeting	We did our activity and Fiona put all the things from the activity into a report and told us about it. There were copies on the tables.					
	After the meeting people who go to day services and employment support did some more work about the places they like to go, the problems they have in getting there and what would help.					
	Our friends from Harlequins interviewed and filmed some people talking about these things and they showed us the DVD they made.					
	 Some of the important things were: Some bus drivers were not always helpful People are worried about changes to transport and when they have no transport or cannot use it 					
	We talked about what we can do to make things better.					
	The Thistle Assistance Card. This is a card you can show to the driver of					

	 the bus to show them you need some help like extra time to sit down or so you know the right stop. You can get a card at libraries. Anne Speake told us about the ENABLE Stop the Bus campaign. Changes to the Disability Living Allowance mean some people who had a bus pass before can't get one any more. The campaign is asking the Scottish Government to do more to help people who have learning disabilities. People can find out more on the website www.enable.org.uk. ENABLE and the Moray Transport Forum are going to work together to offer training to Stagecoach bus drivers so they understand more about the difficulties some people have with transport. What we are going to do: We will give our DVD to the Moray Transport Forum to watch. We will also put it on the Moray Council Youtube page so. 				
6. Lunch	 Forum to watch. We will also put it on the Moray Council Youtube page so everyone can see it. We will ask staff from the council's Social Care team to make sure people who go to day services and their families' have information about any changes to transport. We stopped the meeting to have our packed lunches and to chat. 				
7. Afternoon Warm up	Harlequins led us in the afternoon warm up session.				
8. Theme of the Day – Keeping Safe	The theme for today's meeting was Keeping Safe.People who go to the Keith Hub talked about this before the meeting and came to tell us things we should do to keep safe.For the activity we looked at the places we feel safe and happy, the places where we don't feel so safe and the people who can help us feel safe.				
	<u>What we are going to do:</u> We will bring the information from the activity to the September meeting so we can talk about it again. Harlequins will do some more filming of people who want to say something about Keeping Safe and we will show the DVD at the meeting.				

9. Care Farming Project	Edward Fitsell told us about the Care Farming Project at Findhorn and was helped by Addie Maxwell who chooses to use her self directed support to go to the project.								
	They showed us photos of people taking part in activities like growing vegetables, playing games, baking bread and making things from clay.								
	There are 4 places available on a Tuesday and if anyone is interested in going they should speak to their social worker first. Free taster day can be arranged but you need to be fit as there is lots of walking and digging to do.								
	It costs £50 per day to go to the project. If you need transport to and from Findhorn it costs £15 from Elgin and £5 from Forres. You have to get your own way to the place when the minibus will pick you up.								
	If you get a place on the project it is for a year but if you later decide you don't want to go any more you have to let them know one month before you stop paying for your place.								
	For more information, or to arrange a taster session, you can speak to Edward on 01309 691618 or email him at edward.fitsell@findhorn.org .								
10. Any Other Business	Everyone felt the town hall was a better place to have our meetings a was more room.					e to have our meetings as there			
	<u>What we are going to do:</u> We will hold our meetings in Elgin Town Hall instead of the Gallery at Elgin Library. We might have to change some of the dates but we will make sure everyone knows.								
9. Theme of Next Meeting	We were asked to pick some themes for our next meeting. Some ideas were Volunteering, Music, Keeping Safe Online and Celebrations. Volunteering and music were the most popular.								
THEME	<u>What we are going to do:</u> We will talk about Volunteering at the September meeting and keep music for our December meeting when we can have a musical celebration.								
10. Next Meeting The Supper		Tuesday 11.00am							
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Elgin Town Hall		8 th September 2015							