



Learning Disability  
Partnership Board

# Welcome

## Devon Learning Disability Partnership Board meeting



# Welcome and introductions



Co-Chairs of the Devon Learning Disability Partnership Board

Sophie Holmes Senior Commissioning Officer Disabilities.

Robert Hawken Engagement Officer

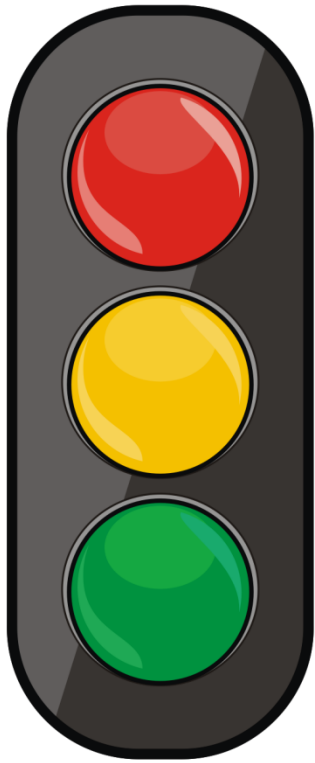


## **Apologies**

**People who told us  
they could not come  
to today's meeting.**



**House keeping  
Information for  
today's meeting**



- **We will be using traffic light cards at the meeting today.**



**If you have a mobile phone would you please turn it off.**



**Urgent Phone Calls**



**Toilets**



- **If you hear the fire alarm you must leave the building**



# Meeting Feedback Forms



- We want to make sure that we are organising and running our meeting well for everyone.
- We would like to ask everyone to fill out a feedback form to help make this happen.
- We would also like to remind carers and people with a learning disability to fill out an expenses form and hand it back to Jo or myself before you leave the meeting today.
- Please let us know if you need any help.



Enjoy your meeting



# Learning Disability Partnership Board

Robert Hawken  
Co Chairs Report  
The Devon Learning Disability  
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# November Meeting Feedback Forms



- There were only two meeting feedback forms filled out at the November Meeting and they were both positive.

# Meetings I have been to



*support for adults and children  
with learning disabilities, and  
their carers, in the Exeter area*

- On November 29<sup>th</sup> I went to the Exeter Mencap AGM which was held here at Wonford. There were presentations and discussions about Fair and Affordable Care Policy and Court of Protection. There were lots of people there and it was Interesting.
- It was good to see so much support for Exeter Mencap as they work really hard for people with a learning disability and their carers.

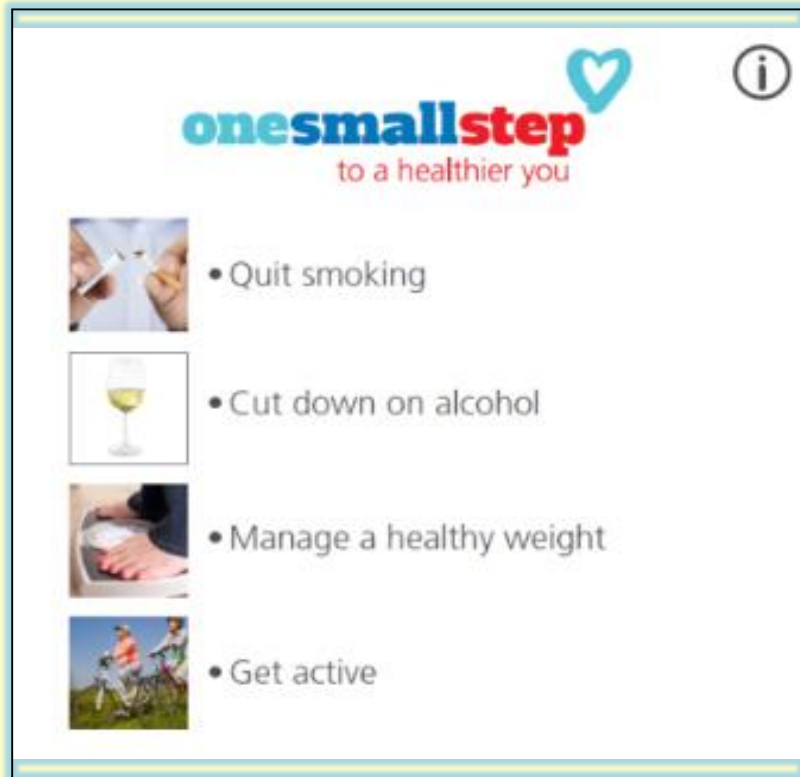
# Meetings I have been to

- On December 11<sup>th</sup> I went to the Joint Engagement forum and gave an update presentation on the work of the Partnership Board.



- On the 13th December I went to the Health and Wellbeing Board Meeting to give a presentation about the Learning Disability Partnership Board.
- I explained about what the Partnership Board does.
- Talked about our achievements and areas we are developing.
- They were very interested in the Accessible website and Friendship groups.

# LG 14 Action Plan Updates



One Small Step came to the September 2017 Partnership Board Meeting to ask members how they could improve access for people who have a Learning Disability .

They also held focus groups.

We have received some feedback but it is not accessible so we have asked for the information in easy read.

One Small Step is a free online service to support people to improve their health and wellbeing

# Health Information



- There is a health information board at the meeting today.
- Please take some time to look at it.
- It includes information about Mencap's Don't miss out and Treat me Well campaigns.

Thank you.



# **Learning Disability Social care and Health Updates Sophie Holmes - Senior Commissioning Officer**

- Delivering our plan - Living Well with a Learning Disability in Devon 2018 – 2022

Working with communities in market towns to;

- Provide more job opportunities for everyone;
- Build a strong health and care workforce (health and care workers)
- Stop people feeling lonely;
- Develop different housing options;
- Support people with ongoing health and care needs to be as independent as possible, and part of the community.
- Health - Quality Checkers

# Learning Disability Work Placement Project



**Simon - Head of Communities Devon County Council**

**Reem Khreisheh - Inclusive Communities Project Support Officer – Devon  
County Council**

# Aims



- We will help organisations to set up work experience placements for people with learning disabilities and autism.
- These placements will help people with learning disabilities and autism to learn new skills to help them get paid work.
- These placements will help people with learning disabilities and the organisations.

# First Steps



- Exeter Library want to work with people with learning disabilities.
- We will help Exeter Library to create 2 or 3 work placements.
- Each placement will help you to learn a new set of skills.
- The placement will end when you have learnt these skills.



# The future



- We will help more organisations to offer work experience placements to people with learning disabilities and autism.

What do you think?

# Nicole Summers



**My plans for the future**

**Nicole Summers**

# My Actions

At the last meeting I said I was going to find out information about getting a mobility scooter.



What I have done;

- I visited Essential Mobility in Bideford.
- I sat on a scooter to see if it suited my needs.
- I will need one with a big battery to get up and down the hills.



# Moving House



- At the last meeting I said I was going to;
- contact the housing office and ask if I am on the housing register.
- If I am not on the register I going to find out about how I can register.
- I am going to ask what support they give people with a learning disability to help them understand how it all works.



# Moving House



- What I have done;
- I rang Torridge District Council in November. I found out that I am on the housing list for Devon Home Choice (Band D)
- I was told I need to update my information online.
- They told me I couldn't meet them face to face.

# Getting a paid Job



At the last meeting I said I was going to visit the job centre in Bideford to ask for their help to get a job.

What I have done;

- I spoke to Jon Beech, Disability Employment Advisor, from Jobcentre Plus (Bideford).
- I have an appointment to see him next week.
- He's going to help me to access a job coach.



# Getting a paid job



- What I found out;
- You can work up to 16 hours per week and keep all of your benefits (ESA, Incapacity Benefit or SDA).
- You can earn up to £125.50 every week after tax.
- You can be supported while you work.
- There's no limit to the amount of voluntary work you can do.
- I will up date you at the next meeting about how I get on.

# Next Steps



**Thank you very much for helping me**

# Partnership Board planning

## Role of the LD Partnership Board

Work in partnership with statutory and community organisations to improve the lives of people with a learning disability and their families.



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We do this by;

- by

listening to what people tell us is working well and not working well and sharing the feedback with Health & Care Commissioners.

# Partnership Board planning



Today we re going to talk about the work we need to do this year and how we are going to do it.



One of our main job will be monitoring (checking) how the Joint Strategy, Living well with a learning disability in Devon 2018 - 2022 is working.



# How we will do this



The best way to find out what is working well, what is not working and what needs to change is giving people across Devon who use care, health and universal services the opportunity to share their experiences with us.

# How we will do this



We will use people's feedback to help us check that the important things written in the strategy are happening

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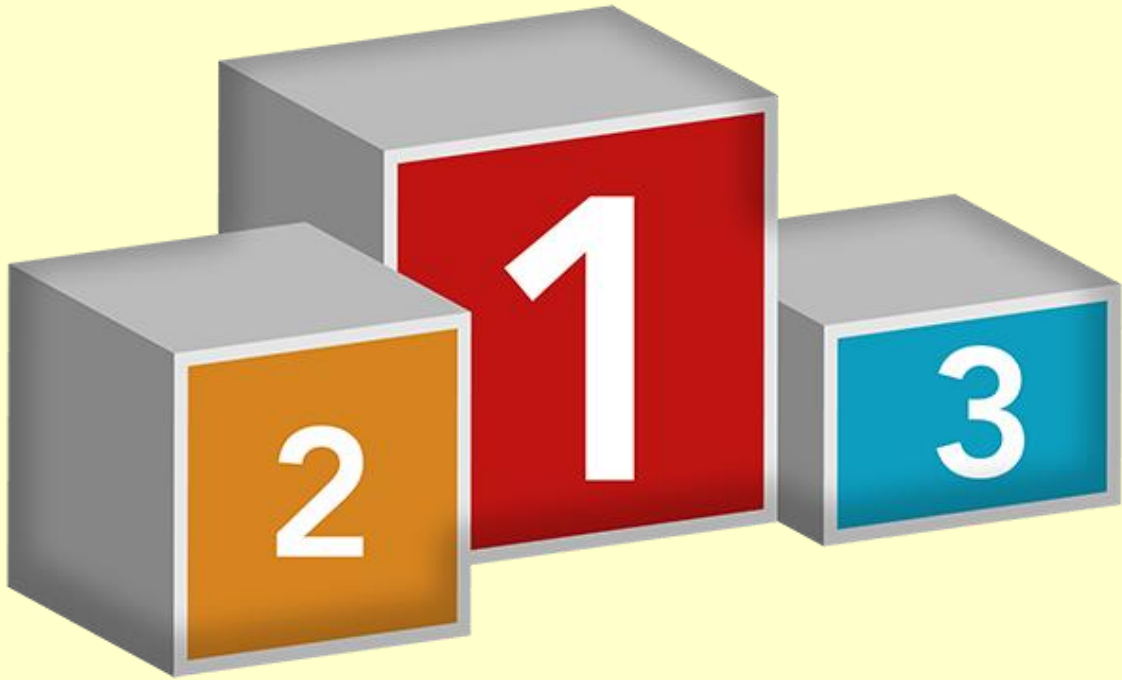


That they are improving the lives of people with a learning disability and their families.



We will do this for each area of focus in the strategy (plan)

# Key areas of focus in the strategy (plan)



- Housing
- Paid Work
- Health inequalities
- Support for people with complex needs
- Keeping people Safe
- Carers
- Preparing young people for life as an adult
- Community

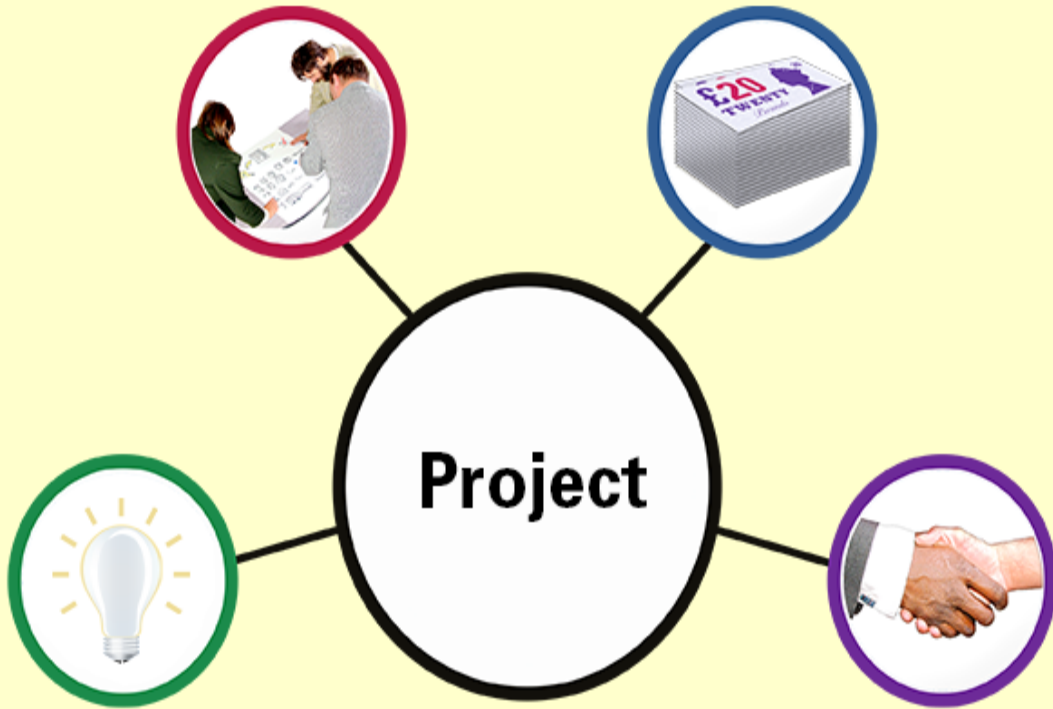


- At each meeting we will;
- Work on one area, for example health inequalities.
- look at what the strategy (plan) says should be happening.
- Look at all the feedback we have received.
- We will look at what people say is working well, what is not working well, and any ideas people have to improve things.



- We will use all the information and feedback to write a report for Health and Care commissioners.
- This will help commissioners know how their plans are working to improve the lives of people with a learning disability and their families.
- The information we collect will also help us to check if national strategies and plans are working in Devon.

# How we will do this



To help us with this work we are setting up 2 new projects.



Devon Link-up will be working to develop links with other groups across Devon so that more people with learning disabilities are able to be involved in the work we do and share their views on what is important to them.



They will also be running a LD Partnership Board pre meetings to help people with a learning disability prepare for the main board meetings.

# Citizenship project



- Lloyd from Devon People First will be setting up a Citizenship Project.



# Citizenship project



- He will be working with people to help them understand about Citizenship;
- to find out what the local barriers to citizenship are.
- empower people to make changes in their communities so they can become active citizens and have the same opportunities as everyone else.
- Information about both projects will be sent out soon.

# Group work

## Questions we need to be asking people



- For each of the 8 key areas we need to think about the questions we want to ask people.
- Sally will visit each table to find out what area you would like to work on and give you all the information you need to help you.
- This will help us make sure we ask people the right questions

# A.G.M. Planning



At our A.G.M. on the 12th March Phil Norrey, Chief Executive of Devon County Council and his leadership group will be joining us again.

Each year we talk about a different subject.

We hope you enjoyed your meeting today and look forward to seeing you all at the A.G.M meeting.