



People present (or Partnership members here today)



Amanda Benton Team
Leader, Learning
Disability & Autism
Team Telford and
Wrekin Council



Liz Bickford-
Smith
Parents Opening
Doors (PODs)



Gill Edmunds
Taking Part



Amardeep Grewal
Service Delivery
Manager. Case
Management



Laura Casey
MH, LD&A
Transformation
Team, CCG



Frances Sutherland
Commissioner
Clinical
Commissioning
Group



Keiron Warr
Telford and
Wrekin Carers
Partnership
Board



Rachel Horth –
Employment
Advisory
Support Team
(EAST)



Elaine Thomas Team
Leader Intensive Health
Outreach Team,
Midlands Foundation
Partnership Trust



Sarah Downes
Integrated Place
Partnership
Manager



Andrew Meredith
– Group
Manager, My
Options



Lorraine Wade –
Team Leader,
Children's
Safeguarding and
Family Support



Apologies:



Leon Batham
Chair
Expert by
Experience



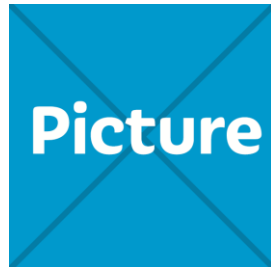
Paul Grocott
Service Delivery
Manager. Children's
Safeguarding



Sarah Dillon
Co Chair.
Director of Adult
Social



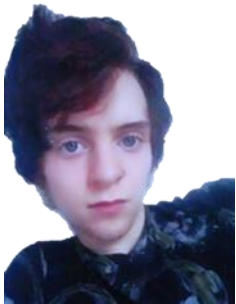
Jayne Stevens
Parents Opening
Doors (PODs)



Nicky Jacques
Shropshire
Partners in
Care



Deb Williams
Service
Delivery
Manager.
My Options.



The Partnership thanked Leon for being a Co-Chair.

His good work to make a difference for people with learning disabilities in Telford and Wrekin. We wish him all the best in the future.



ACTION – Look for new co-chairs.



Outstanding actions:



ACTION - Keiron, Jayne, Gail, Elaine and Amanda send Sarah Downes a photo to be used in the meeting notes.



ACTION - All members to take part in the consultation and share the information across their networks



Key Points from discussion on Having a Job:

Employers look at the things people can't do.

- They see people's disabilities 1st.
- They don't feel they can talk about:
 - ✗ What challenges people might have.
 - ✗ How people can be supported to overcome challenges.



- What do we need to do?



- ✓ Make sure we and employers to do better.
- ✓ Work harder to raise awareness. Starting with our own organisations.



- Show employers that people with learning disabilities can:

- ✓ Work hard
- ✓ Be very honest
- ✓ Be kind and helpful

This makes people with learning disabilities good to work with.

- Use examples of where it is working.



- Support people with learning disabilities to see the good things about getting a job.



- Make sure that people's plans support them if they want to get a job.



Telford Voices feedback:

- Mixed feelings about employment – good things and bad things.
- 4 most important things:

1. Having the right support before and when doing the job.
2. Communication.
3. Time.
4. Disability awareness.



- People with learning disabilities should learn about work when they are in school or college.
- Link with education very important

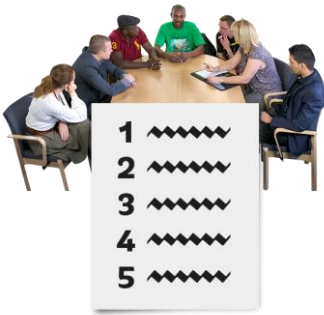


What more can be done?

- Make more opportunities and support for young people to learn about getting a job.



- Think about how to get information about getting a job to the people that need it.



Telford Voices feedback:



- Make sure that health and social care offer people with learning disabilities:

- Paid jobs
- Work experience.

- Lead the way by example.

Be Disability Positive

ACTION – Amardeep and Frances to take this to the system wide Learning Disability and Autism Board.



- Information-People don't know what is happening in schools.

Working with parents support groups like PODS and the carers board will help get information to the right people.



ACTION – Rachel Horth to make contact with both PODS and Carers Partnership Board to provide updates on information and support available.



Telford Voices feedback Key Points:



- Reasonable adjustments are very important.
Like having the opportunity to do the part of a job you have skills for. Not all employers will think of doing this.



- Employers understanding that having someone with a learning disability can be good for their business.



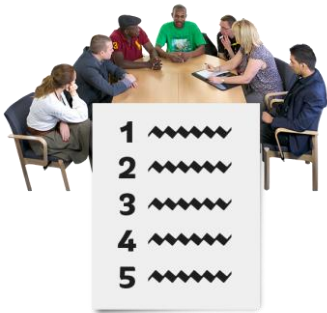
- Employer engagement officer now employed to help people with getting a job.



- 18-22 – People don't know where to find information after college.



- Make sure Job Centres understand about disabilities and make people feel welcome.



Any Other Business:

From April the groups that run the doctors in Shropshire and Telford and Wrekin have joined together. They would welcome any ideas around content.

- ✓ Link to Live Well Telford
- ✓ Link to LD pages on Telford & Wrekin Council's website.

ACTION – All members to email Laura Casey with any suggestions around content. laura.casey@nhs.net

www.shropshiretelfordandwrekinccg.nhs.uk



The Carers Partnership Board invite all members to their meeting. Agenda can be about:

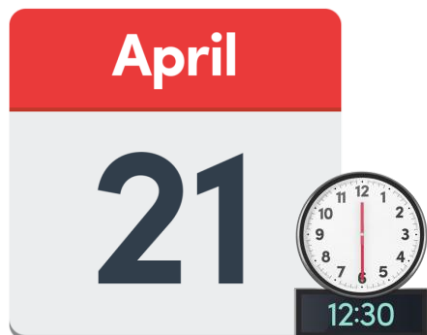
- Learning Disability Consultation
- Annual Health Checks
- Information about employment.



ACTION - Members to contact Keiron direct to book a slot at the partnership: warres54@gmail.com



Date of next meeting:



21st April 2021 – 12.30pm



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