

LIL Core Group meeting 4th April 2012

Apologies:, Jo Minchin

Present: Mike Martin, Ian Brown, Susan Lipscombe, Charles Cooke, Barbara Goulding, Gail Martin, Iggy Patel, Nigel Webster, Shaun

Minutes of the Last Meeting

- Minutes approved
- No Matters arising

Action Plan

- **Update Attached**
- **Development Worker Report**
 - Has lots of leads to follow from meetings attended (these are listed in the action plan update)
 - Has visited and talking with Linkage who are looking at people who are on moderate needs
 - Mental health service users are being discharged from services with no support, they are losing their Disability Living Allowance and are not being referred to any other organisations.
 - It was reported that 25 new social workers are now in place
 - The assessment team are concentrating on moderate needs re-assessment
 - In response to this Iggy has agreed to put in a freedom of Information request asking the following questions
 - How many people on Moderate needs have been re-assessed
 - How many of those have moved to substantial
 - How many have been removed from services
 - What is the split of Older people, Learning Disabilities, Mental Health, Physical and Sensory Impairment
 - Ian is to get this on the Agenda of the PSI/LD Board
- **Administrator Report** – No report as time has been spent on organising the AGM
- **Peer Support**
 - Invites were sent out with the AGM circulation – 3 people have expressed an interest
 - Ed has replied to our request for more detail saying he is not prepared to do any further work until we have finalised what we actually want from the training
 - Working group to organise this will be Susan, Nigel and Gail
- **Quality Mark** – No further progress

Finances and Future Finances

- Approx £23,000 in account, £8,000 allocated to Peer Support and Quality Mark
- Money has been re-budgeted and 6 month extension to contract offered to Susan and Mike
- Susan has been looking into funding becoming available from the Department of Health but this would require us to become a Company limited by guarantee or a Social Enterprise
- Recommendation to approach the Tudor Trust

Annual General Meeting

- Advised that the Core Group is elected at the AGM and Officers appointed by the Core Group. This is however being proposed as a change in the Constitution

Any Other Business

- **Secretary and Treasurer** – These appointees will need a knowledge of the constitution, it will be their role to ensure LIL are complying with it.
- **Core Group Attendees** – CC advised that the role of Core Group members is to steer the direction that LIL is working. The LCDA acts as accounting body for LIL and as such Core Group members take no financial risks. Members are proposed at the AGM or Co-opted onto the Group afterwards
- Nigel has informed us that he has been called by the Police to attend 3 attempted suicides in the Gainsborough area in the past month, the police have been very good in their handling of the situation but LPFT and the Crisis Team have been of no help whatsoever.
- Gail raised the subject of Direct Payments and the fact that many elderly people in her area were, she felt, not capable of running their own finances in respect of these payments
 - Gail informed us that in her own case she had been given no choice but to have a Direct Payment
 - It was expressed again the need for brokers independent to the Local Authority and an open market place with the Local Authority taking its hands off the purse strings

Next Meeting - Wednesday 2nd May 2012, Involve@Lincoln, Mint Lane, Lincoln LN1 1UD

Future Meetings: Wednesdays: 6th June 2012, 4th July 2012,
1st August 2012, 5th September 2012 3rd October 2012