

# Autism Partnership Board Meeting



# 28 June 2022



# Who was there

Name	About them
Councillor Sally Weedon (Chair)	Cornwall Council
Mike Hooper	Healthwatch Cornwall
Tanya Falaschi	Healthwatch Cornwall
Karen Hooper	Cornwall Council
Andrew Gray	Autistic individual
David Allkins	Cornwall Council and autistic individual
David Burns	Citizen Checkers and autistic individual
Flo Linscott	Devon and Cornwall Police
Heather Davison	DIVAS and autistic individual
Ian Hutchinson	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust and autistic individual
Joy Williams	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Julie Atwell-Cook	Cornwall Council
Laura Stevenson	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Marie Ralph	Autistic individual, NAS Cornwall Branch
Nory Menneer	NHS Kernow Clinical Commissioning Group
Paul Owen	Autistic Individual, CHAMPS
Penni Charteress	Divas, Women's Centre Cornwall
Philip Hanscombe	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Rebecca Jelbert	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Rohit Shankar	University of Plymouth, Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Sam Mokarram	The Advocacy People
Sgt Flo Linscott	Devon and Cornwall Police
Shelagh Mitchell	Cornwall Council

# What we talked about at the meeting



Everybody agreed that the minutes of the March meeting were correct.

## **Updates from members**



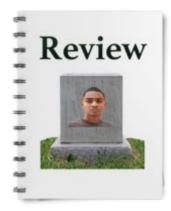
At the last meeting the Board agreed that it wanted a new logo.

Members thought the old jigsaw logo was out of date.

A new logo was chosen.



Nory Menneer said that **Citizen Checkers** were still working with people in hospitals outside of Cornwall.



This year's **LeDeR report** was not ready yet but an easy read copy would be made.



People with a learning disability had **Annual Health Checks**.

There were pilot schemes in other parts of the country for people with autism to receive checks too.

**Cornwall Council Adult Social Care** were going to have a peer review.

That meant outside experts looking at what they did right and what they needed to get better at.

The **Local Government** Association would lead the review.

The **Partnership Boards** team would hold an event at **Truro Library on 20 July**.

All self-advocates and service users could attend.

It was for people with autism.

It was important that people came and gave their views about services.





#### **Updates from Members**



Ian Hutchinson wanted all staff at Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust to have autism training.

It would be designed by people with autism and given by people with autism.



Andrew Gray was helping people who wanted a qualification to help them get work.

He gave a functional mathematics course at the All Saints' Community Centre. The cost was only £2.

the advocacy people



Samantha Mokarram said **The Advocacy People** had been working with **Adult Social Care** to make sure that referrals were right for people with Care Plans.

**Erya** were holding peer and selfadvocacy Awareness sessions for The Advocacy People.

#### **Self-Advocates and Service Users Meetings**



**Cornwall Partnership** 

**NHS Foundation Trust** 

Tanya Falaschi 22 service users and self-advocates attended a **Partnership Boards** meeting in Truro in March.

People talked about:

- Communicating with the DWP.
- Jargon.
- Lack of mental health services.
- Cost of living.
- Lack of advocacy services.

A meeting was held on 23 June .

Dr Rebecca Jelbert and Lucy Freemantle, Cornwall Adult Autism Assessment Team were there.

People told them what online information would help people with an autism diagnosis.

A meeting about communication with the **DWP** would be on 7 July.

Service users would lead the meeting.

The **Peer Review** meeting would be on 20 July.

Tanya Falaschi wanted people to join the team at events. They would be called **Community Promoters.** 



Department for Work & Pensions



The Board talked about mental health services for people with autism.

Everyone agreed that regular services did not suit people with autism.

- Communication problems with GP's and other professionals.
- Long waits for help make more stress.
- People do not like to complain so get ignored.
- What services are available.
- Information should be in different forms.
  - Pop-up services would help. Maybe a lorry to travel to places without support.
- People need early support so they don't get poor mental health.
- It was important to be able to talk to other people with autism. They understand you.

The NHS professionals would form a group to look at all the issues.



#### **Update from Adult Social Care**

See presentations at the end of these minutes.



#### **Day Services**

The Council was closing four day centres:

- Bude
- Newquay
- Bodmin
- Launceston

Different types of services would be provided.

# **Delivering Better Care**

#### **Delivering Better Care**

**Cornwall Council** wanted to make sure that people get the right care.

People would have the chance to have their say at the **Partnership Boards** meeting at **Truro Library on 20 June**.



## Adult Social Care

#### **Making Services Accessible**

Cornwall Council was launching a new 'Front Door' for people to access services.

It was very important to make sure that communication was right for everyone.

#### **Any Other Business**

#### **Blue Light Day**



Heather Davison said that Blue Light Day was at The Royal Cornwall Showground, Wadebridge on 6 July.

But some people couldn't go because there was no transport.

Sergeant Flo Linscott said there was no money but they were still trying to find help.

#### **Children's Autism Partnership**



Mike Hooper said that the Children's Autism Partnership had stopped.

A working group was forming a strategy for children and young people.

It was important that this Board was involved.

### The next Autism Partnership Board meeting will be on Teams at 10am on Tuesday 20 September 2022





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**APPENDIX 1** 

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## **Day Centres**

Why Change?

- > 33 Day Centres in Cornwall, 12 operated by the Council
- The way people access care and support services over the recent years has changed.
- Less people now use Cornwall Council's Day Centres as they have access to a range of alternative services and activities.
- People have told us they would like to be as independent as possible, have control over their lives and access activities in their local communities.

## The Feedback – what people told us



## **Cabinet Decision**

What was decided?

- Cornwall Council reviewed how much people use the in-house Day Centres and how much they cost
- The Centres in Bude, Newquay, Bodmin and Launceston are not well used or providing value for money for Cornwall Council.
- Therefore, the Council has decided to close those Day Centres

## What happens next?

- Adult Social Care have been working with anyone affected by these closures to find them different types of support.
- Feedback so far is that the new services are better and people prefer the new offer.
- Cornwall Council has developed a new programme to modernise Adult Social Care services called Delivering Better Care.
- The key aim of the programme is to deliver a range of innovative, creative, person-centred and place-based community options to support people and their local communities.





## **Care and Wellbeing**

## **Community Based Support Offer**

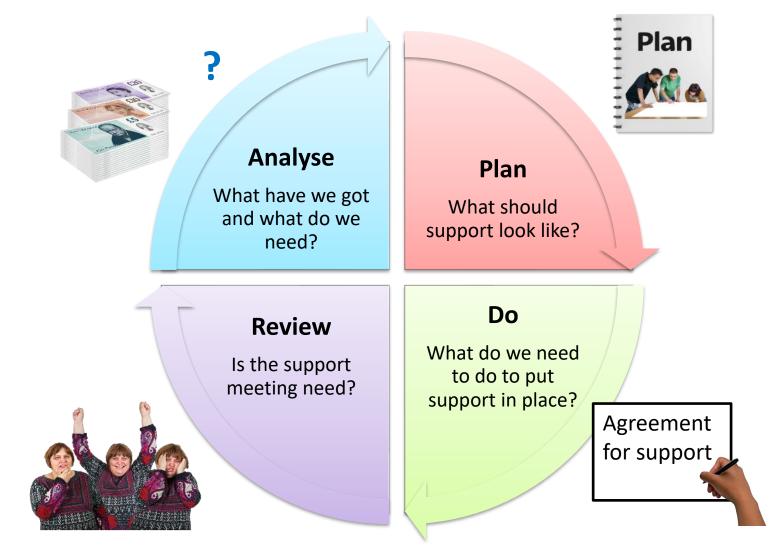
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## **Our work – commissioning cycle**



## **Our plans – commissioning strategies**





#### Maximising Independence

Adult Social Care Commissioning Strategy for older people, people with physical disability and sensory loss



Support for older people, people with physical disabilities or sensory loss



O Delivering Better Care

#### Better Lives Commissioning Strategy 2022-2026

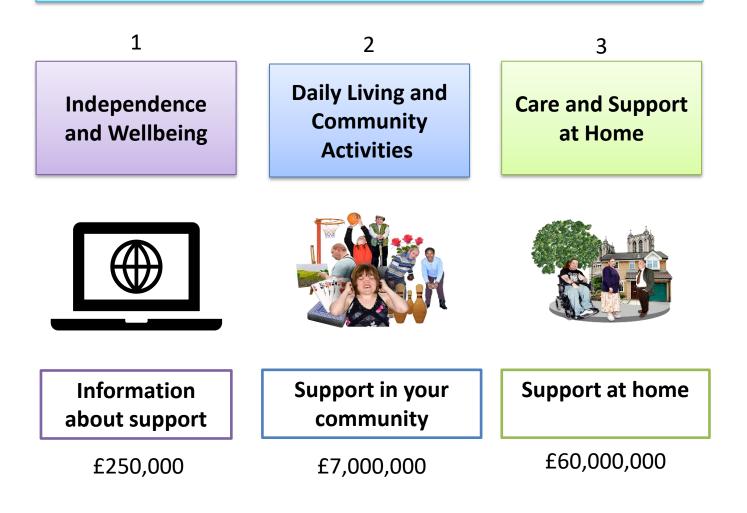
Adult Social Care Commissioning Strategy for people with learning disabilities, autism and/or mental health needs



Support for people with learning disabilities, autism or mental ill-health

## **Our project – community based support offer**

#### **Community Based Support**



## Our findings – what people have told us



## Our next steps – how you can get involved

#### We need your help!

The contracts that we have for community based support services will end next year.

We need to put new agreements in place with organisations that deliver support.

We need your help to shape what the support services will look like.

## Healthwatch are arranging two group discussions in July.

We will be there to ask you about the support you need.

Please come along and get involved!



**APPENDIX 3** 

## Independence and Wellbeing Service Adult Social Care Operations (Delivering the functions of the Front Door for ASC & ASC Short Term Services)

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### Vision for Independence and Wellbeing Service

