

# **Autism Partnership Board**

**Held on 8 June 2021**



# Who was there

Name	About them
Mike Hooper Anne Oliver	Healthwatch Cornwall
Anna Passmore	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Anne Bowdler	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Andrew Gray	Self-Advocate and Service User
Ann Smith	Cornwall Council
Christopher Burns	Self-Advocate and Service User
Darren Moyle	Spectrum
David Allkins	Self-Advocate and Cornwall Council
Sgt Flo Linscott	Devon and Cornwall Police
Nory Menneer	NHS Kernow Clinical Commissioning Group
Rebecca Arthur	Cornwall Council
Rebecca Jelbert	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Sarah Williams	Family member and carer of an adult with Autism
Sandra Ward	Parent Carers Cornwall
Sarah Cuignet	Cornwall Council
Tasha Milton	Job Centre Plus
Tazmin Hook	Self-Advocate, Support Worker and Independent Cornwall Autism Network
Tina Sanford	Cornwall Council
Vicki Allen	Cornwall Council
Vicky Coxhead	National Autistic Society Cornwall

# What we talked about at the meeting

## Introductions and Updates



Everyone at the meeting introduced themselves and said what they had been doing since the last meeting.



Andrew will be giving Functional Maths Skills training sessions at All Saints Community Centre. If you want to join let Mike know and he will pass it on to Andrew.



Chris told everyone about a book and movie called [the reason i jump](#).

It is about the lives of non-speaking autistic people around the world.

No cinemas in Cornwall are showing it though. The nearest cinemas showing it are in Exeter and Totnes.

## Learning Disability, Autism and Carers Service Users Event

The group talked a lot about Day Services and Mike has sent all the information to Ann Smith at Cornwall Council.



More work is needed on the Making Disability Visible project.

Taz is still working with the hospital team on medical cards and hospital passports.

The group want the Derriford Liaison Service for people with Autism to continue.

## Update on Day Services

Ann Smith said that the Council is still following Covid-19 guidelines.



Some buildings are not suitable for social distancing. They may need to be upgraded or different buildings may be used.

Ann does not know how long the changes will take.

Not all service users will get the same package as before. The type of outreach will depend on need.

All service users will get a phone call about their needs. People with most need will be first.

## Autism Strategy

Ann Smith said that there will be an Autism Strategy.

It will look at how services need to suit neurodiversity needs.



The Council wants the APB to help it to develop the Strategy. Ann will say how at the next meeting.

Some of the things we will talk about are:

- Moving from childhood to adulthood
- Housing
- Health checks
- Short breaks

Ann said people can contact her at [ann.smith@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:ann.smith@cornwall.gov.uk)

She said that groups can invite her to talk to them about the Strategy.

## Derriford Autism Service



The Autism Service Pilot scheme at Derriford is ending.

Nory said that people can still email to say they want it to continue.

**The next Autism Partnership Board meeting will be on Teams at 10am on 28 September**

