

# Learning Disability Partnership Board Meeting



**3 March 2022**



# Who was there

Name	About them
Jayne Kirkham	Cornwall Councillor
Mike Hooper	Healthwatch Cornwall
Helen Newton	Healthwatch Cornwall
Ann Smith	Cornwall Council
Charlotte Day	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Claire Grimsey	Cornwall Partners in Care
Claire Menear	The Advocacy People
Joanne Pike	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Penny Newman	The Advocacy People
Richard Gittens	CHAMPS and Healthy Cornwall
Sam Edwards	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Samantha Mokarram	The Advocacy People
Sandra Ward	Parent carer of a young adult with LD, Director of Parent Carers Cornwall and Chair of Carers Partnership Board
Sarah Mitchell	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Scott Fuller	Council of the Isles of Scilly
Shelagh Mitchell	CHAMPS and Healthy Cornwall
Tina Sanford	Cornwall Council

# What we talked about at the meeting



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

## Updates from members



Sandra Ward from **Parent Carers Cornwall** gave an update.

They were leading on the key worker pilot scheme to help young people avoid hospital.



They were also supporting the **Citizen Checkers** to make sure that people in hospital are visited by the **CHAMPS** or another lead person.



Amanda Wilton said that **Derriford Hospital** now had a hospital carer support service for Plymouth, wider Devon and Cornwall.

It was a 5-day service across the hospital to support patients to return home.

The new Carers Passport was due to launch in June.

Richard Gittens from **The CHAMPS** said they were running walking groups in Penzance, Hayle, Camborne, Newquay, and St Austell.

Healthy Weight groups were starting in May, with drop-in sessions in Camborne and St Austell.

More information was on the Healthy Cornwall website:  
<https://www.healthycornwall.org.uk/>

Tanya Falaschi wanted to get more service users on the Partnership Boards.

She was working with **The Advocacy People** to meet new people.

She asked to be invited to groups or suggestions of good places to hold meetings.



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A face to face Service Users event would be held on 24 March in Truro.

The focus would be on how people were feeling and any issues they had.

Public Health wanted to know how Covid had affected the mental and physical health of people.

That would help them to shape future services and support.

National **Healthwatch** had a survey called 'Your Care, Your Way'.

The aim was to make sure that:

Professionals knew how to properly communicate with service users.

Information was easy to understand.

Click [here](#) for the survey.

NHS Kernow were working on exciting projects on self-advocacy and peer advocacy.



**Kernow**

**Clinical Commissioning Group**



The Autism Alert Card was still a work in progress.

**Blue Light Day** was on 6 July at the Showground at Wadebridge.



Christopher Burns was going to meet with the **British Transport Police** soon and would update at a future meeting.

## Adult Social Care Critical Incident



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**Cornwall Council** had declared a Critical Incident in Adult Social Care.

It would help the **NHS** to reduce the pressure on hospitals and cut ambulance waiting times.

More patients could be discharged back to their community.

## Delivering Better Care – update on strategies



Ann Smith from **Cornwall Council** said that the Better Lives Strategy was complete and just needed to be signed off by the Cabinet

Click [here](#) to see a short film about it.

There were six key areas for people with learning disabilities, Autism and mental health issues.



Ann said that she wanted the Partnership Boards to help her to look at them with small groups of service users.

## Update on Day Services



**Cornwall Council** had started a consultation about the day services at Bude, Newquay, Launceston and Bodmin.

Ann Smith would give an update at the next meeting

Click [here](#) to take part in the consultation.

## The Advocacy People

Samantha Mokarram gave a presentation about the work of **The Advocacy People**.



They were working with **Healthwatch Cornwall** to help service users to be heard and to recruit new people to the Partnership Boards.

They helped people to become to self-advocates.

Training and confidence building sessions were offered across Cornwall.

## Making Services Accessible

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



All contacts would go through a single online portal.

## Adult Social Care

Mike would suggest that a working group be set up with other organisations to make sure that communication was right for people with additional needs.



**The next Learning Disability  
Partnership Board meeting will be  
on Teams at 10am on Thursday 26  
May 2022**

