



Rutland Learning Disability Partnership Board Notes of Meeting held on 25th July 2017

Present – who came to the meeting



Lorraine Tarratt	RCC – Chair
Rory O’Neill	Self Advocate – Co Chair
Gina Robey	RCC – Note Taker
Myles Kelly	Gretton Homes, Gretton
Edward Sowter	Rutland Conquerors
Joshua Darlington	Rutland Conquerors
Carolyn Heath	Self Advocate
Jean Heath	Parent
Chayne Adcock	Self Advocate
David Whitmarsh	The Lodge Trust
Aimee McGurk	Self Advocate
Libby Barnacle	RCC
Tracey Gilbert	RCC
Susan Startin	Self Advocate
William Burton	Self Advocate
Samuel Burton	Rutland Conquerors
Chris Southwell	Rutland Conquerors
Sophie Garfoot	Rutland Conquerors
Darren Goddard	Leicestershire Police
Jack Gallacher	Melton Building Society
Ed Flack	Wize Up
Kelly McAleese	Prevention & Safeguarding
Paula Howkins	Self Advocate
Debbie Sowter	Rutland Conquerors
Gill Brightwell	Rutland Conquerors
Jacqui Darlington	Rutland Conquerors
Jackie Winterton	RCC
Sue Giddens	RCC
Vandana Ferguson	RCC
Gemma Ruigrok	RCC

1. Introductions and welcome



Lorraine welcomed everyone to the meeting. Lorraine introduced Rory O’Neill, Self-Advocate and Co-Chair for the meeting. Everyone in turn said their name and where they come from.



2. Apologies – who could not come to the meeting

Cheryl Bosworth, Amelia Bolton, Alex Davies-Powell



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3. Making sure we understand what is said

Rory told everyone that it is important to use words that are easy to understand. Rory reminded us to use the yellow cards if we want to say something and the red cards if we do not understand something.



4. What was said at the last meeting

We looked at the notes from the last meeting held on 25th May 2017. Everyone agreed that this is what was said.

5. Updates

Employment - Gemma Ruigrok , Rutland County Council
Gemma told us that from August the Job Centre will be coming to Rutland County Council offices every two weeks. If you would like to speak to someone from the Job Centre you will need to book an appointment. You can book an appointment through the Stamford Job Centre by ringing telephone number 0345 604 3719.

Gemma is also talking to local businesses to look at ways of working together.

Talk to your social worker, personal assistant or support workers if you have any questions or ideas and they will contact Gemma to see how she can help you.

Autism Partnership Board - Farai Kapswara, Rutland County Council

Farai was not able to come to the meeting. Lorraine told us that meetings will continue to meet every other month and the Council is continuing to raise autism awareness. There is a new project called The Monday Club run by the Leicestershire Centre for Integrated Living. The Monday Club supports people living with Autism. Everyone wanted to know more about club and the smaller clubs that run out of it. Farai will tell us more about it at the next meeting.





Better Health Group - Amelia Boulton, NHS

Amelia was not able to come to the meeting. The next Better Health Group meeting is on Wednesday 30th August, 10.30-12.30, Bridge Park in Thurmaston.



6. Safeguarding Presentation

Kelly McAleese, ASC Practice Consultant, Prevention and Safeguarding Team, Rutland County Council

Kelly told us all about the Safeguarding Team at Rutland County Council and their role in keeping people safe and supported in Rutland. Kelly explained different kinds of abuse and what to do if you are worried about abuse happening. We talked about what happens when you report abuse and Darren told us about the role of the police. Kelly said that the Team will always listen and work together with you and let you know what is happening and who is doing what.

The Prevention and Safeguarding Team is available 24hours. We talked about the importance of Keep Safe Cards and the keep safe places in the area.

[Click here](#) to see the presentation

[Click here](#) to find out about keep safe cards and places



Tea/Coffee break – thank you Rutwel for the lovely cakes!
Rutwel run the Museum Café in Oakham every **Friday**
11.30am to 1.30pm and **Wednesday, 10am to 12noon**

7. Melton Mowbray Building Society and Wize Up

Jack Gallacher, Oakham Branch Manager, Melton Mowbray Building Society and Ed Flack, Wize Up

Jack told us about his team at Melton Mowbray Building Society which is based on the High Street in Oakham. This is a small team that get to know their customers and have time to talk, help and advise them. There is a private room to talk about individual needs and a lower counter position for wheelchair users. We talked about savings, how to open an account, what documents you need to and how much money you need to open an account.

Ed talked to us about all the different places where you can put your money and the difference between a bank and a building society. We talked about electronic banking; passbooks; passwords and how to look after your money.

[Click here](#) to see the presentation





8. Rutland Conquerors Inclusive Basketball

Edward Sowter, Joshua Darlington, Samuel Burton, Chris Southwell , Sophie Garfoot

Debbie Sowter, Jacqui Darlington, Gill Brightwell

The members told us all about the club and how it has developed since 2007. We met the members who have been chosen to join the East Midlands squad at the Special Olympics 2017. The delegates thanked all those involved in fundraising as the squad now have enough money raised to take part in the event. This is a very exciting time as Rutland has athletes participating in Basketball, Equestrian and Table Tennis events at the Special Olympics. We all look forward to hearing about their experiences at future meetings.

[Click here](#) to see the presentation

How to join The Rutland Conquerors Inclusive Basketball:

- You must be 11 years or older
- Contact Debbie Sowter through The Rutland Conquerors Inclusive Basketball facebook page
- Take a look at the club in action

<https://youtu.be/ejBrlS5wbc0>

Special Olympics 2017:



Opening ceremony, Sheffield United – Tuesday 8th August – you will need a ticket to attend this event



The East Midlands squad are playing basketball at the All Saints Sports Centre, Sheffield on 9th, 10th and 11th August



All events are free and you can just turn up



Contact Debbie Sowter if you would like more details on timings



9. Any Other Business

- ☀ Lorraine reminded us that NHS England has produced '[An inclusive NHS 111 service](#)' to help people with a learning disability, autism or both, understand how and when to access the service, and what to expect. The film, created with the support of many self-advocacy groups, forms part of their ongoing work to ensure that everyone has access to NHS services.

☀ **Good luck to all those taking part in the Special Olympics**

Lorraine and Rory thanked everyone for coming

The next meeting will be on **Thursday 28th September 2017**

Look forward to seeing you then!

thank you

