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**Nottingham City Local Involvement Network LINK
Minutes Hospital Discharge
Task and Finish Group**

Date: 20th November 2009

Time: 3pm-4:30pm

Unit E2 Southglade Business Park,
Cowlairs, Nottingham, NG5 9RA

Present:

- Tony Oliver - TO
- Catherine Jameson - CJ
- Jane Overton - JO
- Pat Nicholson – PN
- Pat Tudball – PT
- Alicia Rowling - AR

In attendance:

- Laura Marano - LM
- Laura Thomas - LT

	Actions
<p>1. Welcome & Apologies</p> <p>Introductions of new attendees.</p> <p>Apologies from: Jenny Golding</p>	
<p>2. Feedback from meeting with Bright Sparks</p> <p>LT feedback on the outcomes of the meeting held with a representative of Bright Sparks. Bright Sparks is the company that the LINK is commissioning to carry out the necessary research for this Task and Finish groups.</p> <p>LT explained the reasoning behind the results of the meeting. Bright Sparks has suggested to prepare two questionnaires</p> <p>JO has already suggested some questions to be included in the questionnaire. The group will have the final say on what is included in the questionnaire. If there are any suggestions at the moment then all should be submitted to LT.</p> <p>TO asked what budget has been allocated to this Task and Finish group.</p> <p>LT explained that the research costs have already been agreed by the Directors, and so this could go ahead without concern over funding.</p>	

3. Questionnaire distribution

PN suggested distributing the questionnaire to her community group “New Beginnings” and at the Clifton Cornerstone. Also suggested having a stand at the “Clifton Lights” event on the 4th of December.

TO asked which area the Clifton Cornerstone covered in term of residents – just to ensure that they are within the City Local Authority boundaries.

CJ highlighted the need to also ensure that HLG clients are also consulted on Hospital Discharge (the homeless, and those in hostels). Routes in might be the John Storer Clinic is a good way in – it is specific to drug and alcohol misuse. Also asked about how we intend to consult with youth and young people.

TO suggested that we include MENCAP and those families affected by learning disabilities.

LT stated that we cannot interview anyone under the age of 18. So this report will be about Hospital Discharge services for Adults.

LM mentioned that we need to include young carers of adults.

CJ suggested consulting through ReThink – Self-Help

JO suggested Framework and Head-Way. British Red Cross run “Home from Hospital” scheme – duty shopping, prescription fetching and other services to support those that have just been discharged. Also Age Concern. Explained that the group was hoping that once the questionnaire was completed it will be available for patients at hospital pharmacies for patients to access at the point of discharge.

CJ asked is this questionnaire for one of the aspects of this research or is it for both.

JO confirmed that it was for both.

4. Enter and View Training

Discharge Waiting Rooms – LM explained that we could carry out an Enter and View at hospitals in these specific room – maybe carry out more detailed qualitative interviews with patients awaiting discharge.

The groups agreed and was eager to take part in the enter and view.

Names of representatives to complete a CRB forms and the Entre and View Training:

- Jane – specific for this group
- Pat Nicholson – specific for this group
- Pat Tudball – LINK Enter and View general
- Tony Oliver - LINK Enter and View general

JO regarding CRBs – questioned if the original documents can be brought to the LINK office or if they have to be sent away.

LM confirmed that the originals can be certified at the LINK office.

5. A.O.B.

PT if there isn't a women's group meeting now could the CEWs come to the next meeting in Jan to do a presentation on the LINK. Baptist Church on Mansfield Rd – on Wed the 13th of Jan – 7pm.

LM agreed to the presentation.

LM to do presentation

<p>6. Any other business/future agenda</p> <p>LM to send the time-line for the questionnaires to the group when they are received by Bright Sparks.</p> <p>Also members have been asked to send in questions to be included in the research before the next meeting.</p> <p>7. Date and time of next meetings: 16th December 2009 – 10am to 12pm - Southglade</p>	<p>LM distribute time-line for research</p>
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