# West Sussex Learning Disability Partnership Board 01 August 2024, Worthing

#### Minutes



A copy of the minutes will be posted on the council's webpage.

Who came to the Board meeting is listed at the end of these minutes.

#### Introduction:



This meeting was co-chaired by Amanda Jupp (WSCC Councillor) and Andrew Walker (Self-Advocate)

The things we focussed on for this meeting were:



- updates from last Board
- Supported Employment West Sussex
- Ensuring people get a good quality service



#### Item 1:

<u>Supported Employment West Sussex –</u> WorkAid scheme.

Rachel Benson, Aldingbourne Trust

Rachel asked members: what do members need when thinking about voluntary or paid work?



#### **Discussion**

Detailed answers here

Top questions and answers from tables:



Question: Do WorkAid help with

transport?

Answer: Yes, we look at customer

needs and go from there



 Question: I like arts and crafts registered self-employed or other options out there?

Answer: WorkAid can support with setting a business plan and can also support with advertising a business or activity



 I go to Buddies café – great to hear that you do sessions there. Rachel: customers can also explore volunteering in the café at Buddies

Who funds WorkAid?
 Answer: WSCC fund this scheme.

Rachel distributed handouts to members with contact details and information of sessions.

#### Workaid:

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#### **Break**





The DWP Disability Employment advisors Tim and Paul had an <u>information</u> stall for members during the break.

#### Item 2:

Quality Assurance and Market Support Team – WSCC

Ensuring people get a good quality service

Isla-Kate Morris - WSCC Isla asked members:

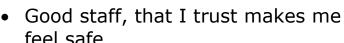
- Quality in services what is important to you?
- What makes you feel safe?
- What do you like most about how your service support you?
- What would you like to see more of?

#### Discussion

Detailed feedback here

Top comments from tables:

feel safe





- Having friends
- Freedom in own flat independence



• We have choice in what we do but listen to feedback.



 WSCC should employ Quality Checkers with Lived Experience



## Bringing it all together and any other business

The co-chairs talked about all the things people said were important at the meeting.



Support

Rachel from WorkAid spoke to a few customers during the break. Do contact WorkAid scheme for support to volunteer and explore employment.



#### **Any Other business:**

Self-Advocate shared that he is moving to residential care and is receiving good support to do this.

He also shared positive health news of NHS treatment which means he now sees better and feels much better.



A Self-Advocate asked if WSCC employs people with Learning Disabilities. Answer: Yes, and we want to see more people with Learning Disabilities apply and work for WSCC.

### **November**

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#### Date of next meeting in 2024:

14 November 2024, 10.30am to 12.30pm.

Venue: Worthing Town Hall – Gordon Room.

#### Who came to the Board:

Cllr Amanda Jupp – Member for Adult Services

Andrew Walker - Self Advocate, Speakabout, Co-Chair

Sarey England - Self Advocate, Speak Up

Daniel - Self Advocate, B+C Voice

Chris Button - Self-advocate, Speakabout

Wendy Crowhurst - NHS LeDeR

Rachel Benson - Aldingbourne Trust/WorkAid

Lucie Venables, Head of Commissioning WSCC

Diana Bernhardt - Senior Commissioner, WSCC

Edward Armstrong - Commissioning Manager, WSCC

Judith Packer – Commissioning Lead, WSCC

Laura Smith - Quality Assurance and Market Support (QAMS), WSCC

Isla-Kate Morris - Quality Assurance and Market Support (QAMS), WSCC

Sheryl Bunting – Learning Disability and Autism Lead - Carers Support West Sussex

Simona Giunta - Commissioning and Contracts Officer, WSCC (Minutes)

Tim Claydon - DWP Disability Employment Lead

Paul Fuller – DWP Disability Employment Lead

Judith Packer - Commissioning Lead, WSCC

Dimensions Day Service – Graham, Tiffany, Kelly, Matt, Dale, Warren, Adam, Lynne