

Partnership Board meeting

Where Town Hall, Wellington Street, Woolwich SE18

When Friday 24 March 2006

Who was at the meeting?

Councillor Jagir Sekhon	Chair
Simon Froud	Greenwich Social Services
Jerry Ratcliff	Greenwich Social Services
Christine Bostock	Greenwich Social Services
Gill Akrill	LBG Neighbourhood Services
Peter Dudley	Access
David Watkins	Access
Lana Dunnett	Access
Jonathan Forbes-Pointer	Access
Mary O'Connell	Access
David Coxwell	Working With Words
Kathy Smith	Working with Words
Sarah Omonija	GCAP
James Bennet	GCAP
Mhairi MacDonald	GCAP
Dino Powell	GCAP
Elsie Hughes	Mencap
Mark Grainger	Mencap
Lara Rowlinson	Mencap
Dean Bogle	Learning Disability Outreach Team
Kalle Hogh	Learning Disability Outreach Team
Robert Templeton	Oxleas/Greenwich Learning Disability Services
Marian Collins	Person-Centred Planning and Life Plan,
Stephen Whitmore	Director, CAMHS and Learning Disability Service, Oxleas NHS Trust

Minutes - who said what at the meeting

1 Sorry from people who couldn't come to the meeting

Dr Sean Gravestock
Sarah Burchell

Geraldine O'Halloran
Claire Smith

Cathy Pullen

2 Minutes of last meeting - people said these were right.

3 Matters arising

Co-chairing the Board:

Dino Powell is the **co-chair** of the Board. Simon said that the Board would give Dino help with this job.

Anita Rickard asked if service users will be **paid** for jobs like this. The Board will talk more with service users about how they choose co-chairs in future.

Best Value Review news

The Council is talking about the Best Value Review in its committee meetings. **Simon** will say more at the June meeting.

Beacon Application - news

Greenwich has won **Beacon Status**. **Simon** thanked everyone who helped. He said thank you for **David Cox's** work. There will be a thank you lunch in April. **Elsie Hughes** said thank you too and that we need to keep making services better. **Jerry Ratcliff** said that there will be money to do this next year and people with learning disabilities will help to manage this.

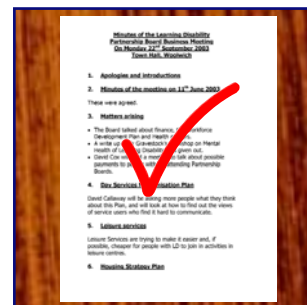
Person Centred Planning

Marian Collins talked about **Person Centred Planning**.. She will do a workshop at the June meeting. She will help set up a group to make things happen. The action plan will be made easy to understand.

4 Report back from workshops

Community Learning Disability Team Day

Robert Templeton. This workshop looked at the day in February. This asked people what they thought about the service. Their ideas are in a report and will help the team plan their work.



Dino Powell



David Cox



Marian Collins

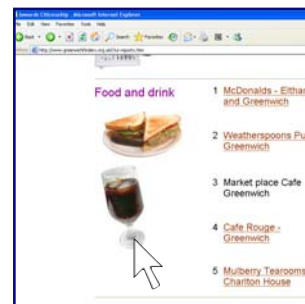


Robert Templeton

Towards citizenship

Kalle Hogh told people about **GreenwichFinders**. This is where people with learning disabilities went into places like shops and Council buildings to see how easy they are to use. People took photos and talked about what the places were like.

You can get a **newsletter** from the Outreach Team. There is a **website** at www.greenwichfinders.gov.uk. The workshop talked about **voting** too.



GreenwichFinders Website

5 Have your say

Dino said that the symbols in the easy minutes did not help people understand them - a different computer programme should be used. There will be meetings to talk about how minutes can be made easier.



6 Report back from small groups

Services for Black and Minority Ethnic Groups

Dean Bogle told the meeting about this group. **Councillor Sekhon** asked how many people from black and minority ethnic communities use services. Dean will bring this information to the June meeting.



Dean Bogle

Health Group

The group is looking at health needs of older people, young people and people with learning disabilities. The plan will be made easy to understand. **Stephen Whitmore** said that more people with learning disabilities are using ordinary health services - not special services.



7 Partnership Board Terms of Reference

Anita Rickard said that the words should be changed to stop the idea that parents with learning disabilities will always have children with learning disabilities. **Simon** will do this.



Anita Rickard

Membership

The **Joint Strategy Group** is making sure that people are well represented on the board.

8 Money

Simon told the meeting that the department has less money. They were looking at how to support different groups and clubs. He is meeting with people and groups who have questions or worries.



Simon Froud

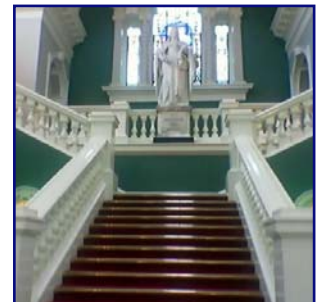
9 Working together

Simon told people about the plans for the Council and the Primary Care Trust to join their money together so they can spend and plan in the best way.



10 Bringing Greenwich up to date

Leon Yohai from **Change Management** talked about plans to bring Greenwich up to date. **Councillor Sekhon** said there might be jobs for people with learning disabilities and people should look out for them.



Town hall

Leon said that people could have their say about the plans and could meet him to talk about them. You can phone him on **020 8921 6389**.

11 Any other business

After the Council election in May, **Councillor Sekhon** may not be the chair of the Board. She thanked the Board for its work and support for her. She will still come to meetings sometimes. Simon said thank you from the Board for her work.



Councillor Sekhon

12 Date of next meeting

When? Friday 23 June 2006

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