

HEALTH AND WELLBEING THEMATIC GROUP

**Minutes of a meeting held on the 16th September 2009 from 9.30 –
11.30am at West Lancashire Borough Council, 52 Derby St, Ormskirk**

PRESENT:

Dave Tilleray	Exec Manager Community Services, WLBC
Leigh Boyton	Local Resident
Puala Jones	Chair SLC Physical Disability Partnership Board
Hazel Allen	West Lancashire CVS
Gillian Whitfield	WLBC Planning
Sue Hignett	Action for Blind People
Jenny Ashburner	NHS Central Lancashire
Louise Dawson	Principal Skelmersdale & Ormskirk College
Joanne Latham	LCC – Assistant District Partnership Officer
Joan Brindle	Moving on Lancashire
Kate Ainscough	Little angels (PCT)
Jeremy Scholey	NHS Central Lancashire
Louise Armitage - Parkinson	West Lancashire BC
Margaret Williams	Special Care & Community Dentistry
Sue Waterworth	WLBC Environmental Health
Allan Conway	Help Direct

Apologies

John Allin	Service Leader - Learning Disability Team NHS Central Lancashire
Debbie Young	Health Education Officer WLBC
Greg Mitton	WLCVS
Andrew Fowler	West Lancashire Borough Councillor – Chair
Glenn Harrison	NHS Central Lancashire – Commissioning
Gulab Singh	NHS Central Lancashire
Karen Warmington	Neighbourhood Management West Lancashire Borough Council
Paul Greenwood	Sport Facility Manager Edge Hill
Donna Studholme	Help Direct Manager
Ian Gill	WLBC
Mike Tasker	Commercial Safety Manager WLBC
Gill Millward	Lancashire County Council Joint Health Unit
Jane Cass	Public Health Specialist, NHS Central Lancashire

Action

1. Welcome and introductions.

Chair welcomed members and introductions were made around the table.

2. Apologies.

Apologies were noted (See above).

3. Minutes of the meeting/actions and matters arising held on 8th July 2009

The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record.

The minutes were tabled and it was agreed that for point 9, (the suggested objectives for inclusion in the 2010 action plan) the group were happy what action is to be taken forward.

Leigh opened discussion on the issue of, gum shields with regards to some organised sports, highlighting figures to show that there were few injuries. This was commented on by Margaret and Margaret to bring statistics to the next meeting for discussion.

Margaret

Puala raised the issue of finding specific orthodontic toothbrushes. Margaret explained there was no need for specific toothbrushes and that electric or small toothbrushes were sufficient. Puala commented this should be alliterated to the public, Margaret agreed and taking the comments back.

Margaret

4. Community Food Growing (CFG) Strategy

Jenny provided an overview on the actions agreed at the Task and Finish CFG meeting and the minutes were tabled along with 'Potential Funding Sources for Central Lancashire Food Growing Programme', and Schedule 1 of the contract, which has been agreed between WLCVS and NHSC, for information.


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West Lancashire Schedule 1.doc


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Jenny highlighted that the membership of the Task and Finish Group was redefined to become a subgroup of the Health and Wellbeing Thematic Working Group, with lead responsibility for CFG. Greg Mitten is to be the Chair of the subgroup and will draw together draft ToR. The next meeting is to be held on the 5th October 2009.

5. Consultation on the Local Development Framework

Gillian tabled a leaflet 'Your West Lancashire 2027' and talked around the 5 different options outlined for the future development of West Lancashire. The leaflet is a summary of the Options Paper which can be downloaded off the West Lancashire Web Site and the leaflet is out for consultation until 15th October. Gillian requested the Group look at the options and view the Options Paper and feedback through either email or online, details provided on the leaflet and further information can be viewed on the West Lancashire web site.

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http://www.westlancs.gov.uk/pdf/LDF_CS_Options_Leaflet.pdf

Discussion followed on the options outlined in the leaflet and further to the

need of a town centre development in Skelmersdale. Louise commented that with the new build taking place at Edge Hill college that development was necessary for providing somewhere for the young adults to go and Louise has undertaken a survey with all young learners to find out what would be important to them. Louise providing results of the survey to the group at the next meeting. Gillian commented that the development of Skelmersdale is on the agenda and part of the main master plan regardless of the options but, due to the recession things are on hold at present.

Louise

6. Health Network Event

Hazel gave an update on the event held on 2nd September. Saying the event was very successful and the topics included mental health and cancer with the vast majority wanting to talk on mental health. Also there is a Health Network web site for information for agencies and the general public. Next event to take place on the 25th November, venue not yet decided. Hazel asked if any member of the group would like to put on the invitation list to email Hazel direct.

hazel@wlcvs.org

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7. Feedback from Your Community Matters Event

Kate gave an overview of the event, saying that even though door to door canvassing had been done no community members attended, however, the event was considered a success as it provided a good networking opportunity with other agencies.

9. Health and Wellbeing Action Plan 2009/2010

Hazel commented that it was agreed to put in an action for 'Emotional Wellbeing' and asked has this action been added? It was agreed Hazel to consider what actions might be appropriate and feed back to the group.

Hazel

Dave asked if the action plan could be re-circulated for feedback.

Jane

10. Partners Update

Margaret made the group aware of Mouth Cancer Awareness in November and bringing blue ribbons to the next meeting to share with the group.

Margaret

Hazel highlighted the Health Network web site which is available for advertising by members of the group and to get in touch on 01695 733737 and speak to Jan or Kerris.

Louise requested members of the group to consider signing up learners who will struggle to get jobs and who would benefit from volunteering and real work experience and if any partners can help to get in touch.

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Leigh asked for the group to opt for option 4 of the plans proposed in the previous item as this would protect the green belt.

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Puala gave an overview of the South Lancashire Disability explaining the main issues on the agenda are transport, social care and learning and putting a package together for both accesses to learning an access to work.

Allan informed the group of the 'Safe Tracker' a new approval system, being developed to give access via the internet to members of the public in finding tradesmen. Approval is through Trading Standards, to include gardeners and handymen for small scale jobs. Feedback from Trading Standards has

been they are having difficulty finding traders, Allan asked the group to feedback if they had contacts that would like to be included in the web site. Allan

Contact details to be circulated.

Sue talked around the Safe Partnership Scheme for victims of domestic violence and shared the Council Homelessness number of 01695 557177 for information and asked the group if they could advertise using the publicity material available, particularly in health environments and to contact Sue direct of any requirements. Sue also highlighted the refuge service Risk Assessment tool devised for advisors, and commented that this is very useful and if any guidance is required on how to use the Risk Assessment, to contact Mel on 01695 580049. This number can also be used for any referrals.

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Jeremy updated the group on the Danger Zone event based on alcohol, commenting it was very successful and the next event will be related to domestic violence with a further event on drugs and alcohol next year.

12. Any Other Business

Puala raised the issue of the reduction in staff within the Disabled Sports Development team. Dave commented that the Sports Development Manager and Supporting Officer post's will continue until 2012.

13. Date and time of next meeting

The date and time of the next meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday 11th November 2009, at 09.30 – 11.30 in Digmoor Community Centre, Skelmersdale