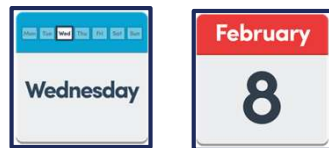


# Norfolk Learning Disabilities Partnership Board meeting



Wednesday 8 February 2023

10:00am – 12:00pm

Meeting held using Zoom



# Who attended our meeting?

This list shows how people who came to the meeting identified themselves

**June Walton**, Acting Co-chair

**Rachel Gates**, Co-chair

**Lee Gibbons**, ASD Helping Hands

**Lucy Adcock**, ASD Helping Hands

**Craig Chalmers**, Norfolk County Council

**Amanda Johnson**, Norfolk County Council

**Ricky Doran**, Self-advocate

**Kenny Nichols**, Self-advocate

**Kyle Fraser**, Self-advocate

**Helen Cartwright**, Parent-Carer

**Keith Page**, Thera East Anglia Supporter

**Jon Rose**, Mid-Norfolk Mencap

**Maxine Webb**, Counsellor

**Alison Furniss**, Family Voice

**Tracey Sismey**, Family Voice

**Heidi Mckay**, Senior Lead Community LD Nurse

**Roan Dyson**, Commissioning manager residential

**Maxine Thurston**, North Team manager

**David Leaper**, North Health Team manager

**Marcus Hayward**, East Health Team manager

**Malcolm Smith**, South Team manager

**Catherine Colston**, West Health Team manager

**Darren Link**, Norwich Team manager

**Joanna Yellon**, Director for Learning Disability and Autism in the Integrated Care Board.

# This meeting had three main topics:



A Co-chair handover



To hear an update on the Norwich Locality Group



To have a discussion on Ethical Framework with Curators of Change

# Co-chair Handover (1)



Rachel explained that Craig Chalmers will no longer be Co-chair for the LDP



Our new Co-chair is now Rachel Gates. Her position currently is Assistant Director Learning Disability, Autism and Mental Health Commissioning



Craig thanked the board for being helpful and patient with him

# Locality Group Update (1)

January 2023						
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

The first Locality Group was in Norwich on the 19<sup>th</sup> January 2023



The discussion at the Locality group was...



What would you like to see happen in Norfolk over the next 3 years?

# Locality Group Update (2)



The Locality group discussed multiple topics



Such as Transport, Housing, Day Services and Employment



On the next few pages you will be able to see some feedback we received...

# Transport



Buses in and out of  
Norwich have become  
less reliable during the  
day



Taxis are suffering from  
low workers and not  
having the right trained  
staff



E-scooters can be a good  
thing, if they were used  
properly

# Employment (1)



Getting employers to recognise the benefits of work



At Assist a lot of people with LD lost paid employment due to Covid



Stigmas around people with LD- what can they do? Not cant!



## Employment (2)



St Martins Church run  
volunteering opportunities  
for people with LD



Farmyard in Norwich  
have 6 week placements  
for people with LD  
**They are no longer able  
to offer this**



NCC employment service  
has been successful in  
getting people with LD  
paid work

# Questions (1)



**Question:** How many attended the Locality Group?



**Answer:** 6 people

# Questions (2)



**Question:** How can we promote the Locality group further?



**Answer:** Family voice stated they are happy to promote information for us

# Questions (3)



**Question:** What Providers attended the Locality Group?



**Answer:** Assist Trust was the only provider to attend

# Questions (4)



**Question:** How many young people have received paid work from the Norfolk employment service?



**Action:** Rachel Gates is going to find out figures

# Questions (5)



**Question:** What volunteering opportunities are there in Norfolk?



**Answer:** Best way to find out is contacting your local social care team.

# Day Services



Day services in Norwich  
Locality seem Healthy



People are able to freely  
move between services



Charities like Assist, Build  
offer lots of events



# Housing



Struggle to find independent living



A lot of residential housing are at full capacity



Inappropriate placements



# Locality Group Update (3)



Full notes from the Norwich Locality group are live on our website



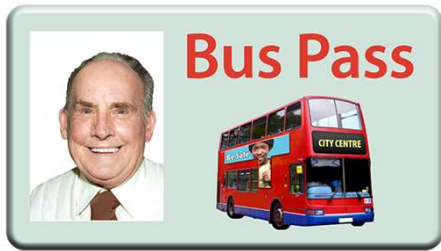
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The Locality group came up with some considerations for the board

# Considerations (1)



Why are bus passes valid from 9:30? Not earlier?



What's the best place to inquire about E scooters?

# Considerations (2)



What day services are there for 65+ in Norwich?



Are there any night help/groups for people who get lonely in the evenings?



What do DWP offer for work/training?  
Can they do more?

# Considerations: Why are bus passes valid from 9:30? Not earlier? (1)



Since January buses are charging £2 for a single bus ticket



Companies would rather have people pay then travel for free



People used to be able to use their bus pass from 8:30am, why has this changed?

## Considerations: Why are bus passes valid from 9:30? Not earlier? (2)



**Action:** Maxine Thurston is going to find out if this is a local or national issue.

**Considerations:** What's the best place to inquire about E scooters?



**Action:** Lucy Adcock is going to investigate further

# Considerations: What day services are there for 65+ in Norwich? (1)



Men's Sheds Association is Charity that offer support county wide.  
A lot of members are 65+

# Considerations: What day services are there for 65+ in Norwich? (2)



**Action:** Rachel Gates is going to talk with Anna who is commissioning a new day services for 65+



# Considerations: Are there any night help/groups for people who get lonely in the evenings? (1)



REST in Norwich offer evening drop in opportunities



The Place is in Kings Lynn. It is a space that has different events on most days



Click is virtual, they offer lots of different activities day and evening

# Considerations (3)



**Consideration:** What do DWP offer for work/training? Can they do more?



**Answer:** This question will be discussed at the next board meeting as the board ran out of time.

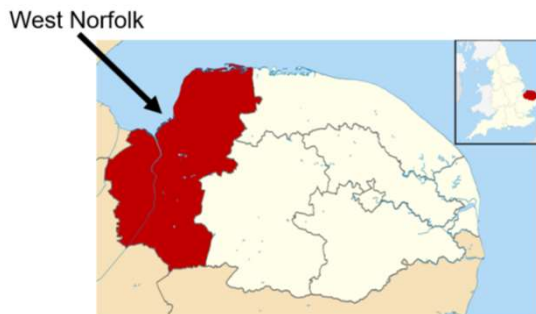
# Locality Group Update (4)



Lucy spoke about the upcoming Locality Groups and gave out the dates

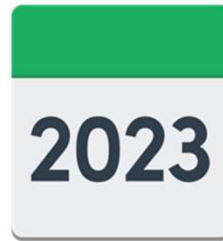
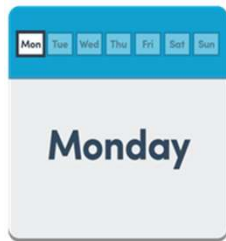


**West Locality to be confirmed.** Lucy explained that she is going to view a venue in February to make sure it is accessible



She will keep the board updated on the West Locality group.

# North Locality Group

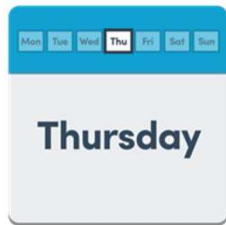


About with  
Friends

**Venue:** 22C Holt Road  
Cromer,  
NR27 9JW

Telephone if lost: 01263 515230

# South Locality Group



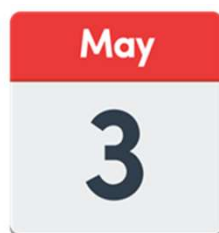
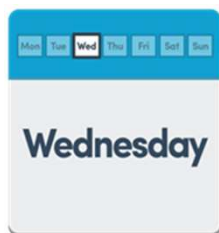
**Venue:** Watton Sports Centre  
Dereham Road  
Watton  
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# East Locality Group



**Venue:** Kings Centre  
30 Queen Anne's Road,  
Great Yarmouth,  
NR31 0LE

# Norwich Locality Group



**Venue:** The Willow Centre,  
Willowcroft Way,  
Cringleford,  
NR4 7JJ

# Ethical Framework With Curators of Change (1)



We were joined by Cat from Curators of Change



Cat introduced herself and spoke about what Ethical Framework is



Cat asked the board: What does ethical mean to you?



# Breakout Room Discussion (2)



Ethical meaning:  
Relating to beliefs  
about what is right and  
wrong



All work together with  
ethnic minorities



Working with everyone  
– Ethical (confused with  
Ethnicity)

# Breakout Room Discussion (3)



Everybody being treated the same and fairly... whoever you are.



Respecting peoples ethnic groups



**Understand**

Its not an easy word to say or understand

# Breakout Room Discussion (4)



Main themes around ethical mean...



...fairness, respect for all, being included...



... and everybody having same opportunities

# Breakout Room Discussion (5)



The council needs to lead by example



How does the council check that others are being ethical



Thinking about how ethical might be different in our personal lives as to work

# Breakout Room Discussion (6)



Everyone has different values and ethics – they don't all apply to everyone.



How we work together to agree the right and fair approach – that is available all the time



Checking up on organisations and listening events for staff

# Breakout Room Discussion (7)



Everything people said in the breakout rooms was noted down.



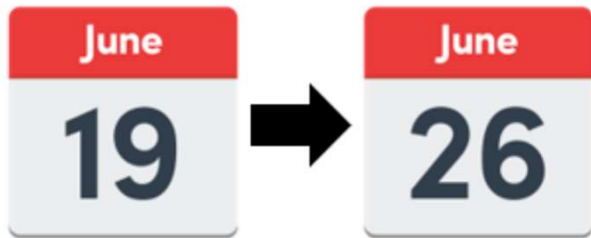
Cat will share this feedback to her group.



**Action:** Cat would like to meet self-advocates separately to discuss their stories. I have passed on details of those that would like to be involved.



# Any Other Business (1)



Heidi Mckay let the Board know that Learning Disability week is 19<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> June.



The Forum in Norwich is going to be booked out for this week



**Action:** Heidi Mckay would like to know if Opening Doors are attending.

# Any Other Business (2)



Rachel Gates gave an update on the Learning Disability Strategy.



Rachel explained that her team are waiting on the report from Tricordant.



Tricordant are a company who have been asked to look at services for people with LD and Autism by Norfolk County Council



# Any Other Business (3)



Tracey Sismey asked if anyone would like information shared by Family Voice to send it in a certain Format.

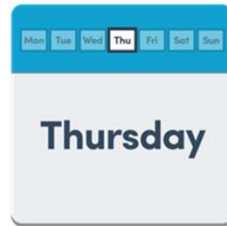


**Action:** Lucy Adcock to have a catch up with Tracey Sismey and find out what Format is appropriate.



Lee Gibbons let the Board know that he has updated the LDPB website and its accessibility.

# Date of Next meeting



**Venue: Zoom**



If you have any questions or ideas to share,

please email **[contact@norfolklpartnership.org.uk](mailto:contact@norfolklpartnership.org.uk)**

# What support was available before and after the meeting?



## Support available (1):



People were able to give their feedback in other ways. For example, Rachel met with some of the self-advocates separately.



We held a ‘pre meet’ to talk through how the main meeting would work, and a ‘feedback meeting’ afterwards to ask how the main meeting went.

## Support available (2):



We also held a feedback session following the main meeting. This was to provide support or to any answer questions if needed.



We plan to continue to offer this support to our members in the future.