

VALUING MEDWAY PEOPLE



Valuing Medway People
Partnership Board

We had our Annual General
Meeting

The meeting was from

10.00am - 1.00pm
on Monday
22nd June 2009



We had the meeting at the King
Charles Hotel in Gillingham

People at the meeting were

Partnership Board members:

Richard Redmond (Co-Chair)	Medway Council - Interim Assistant Director, Adult Social Care
Kathy Johnson (Co-chair)	Forum for Adults with a Learning Disability
Robert Wilson	Forum for Adults with a Learning Disability
Rick Dartnail	Valuing Medway People - Adults with a Learning Disability Forum
Anton Smith	Valuing Medway People - Providers Forum
Kay Meinertzhagen	Valuing Medway People - VOLUME Forum
Mary Butcher	Valuing Medway People - Carers Forum
Reg Higgs	Valuing Medway People - Carers Forum
Rose Collinson	Medway Council - Director of Children & Adults
Marilyn Kitchenham	Medway Council - Team for Adults with a Learning Disability
Liz Nicholas	Medway Council - Joint Service and Commissioning Manager
Viv Cooper	Valuing Medway People - Carers Forum
Tracey Sharpe	Medway Foundation Hospital Trust - Safeguarding Lead

Support for Adults with a Learning Disability:

Colin Guest	EnableUK
Tim Guest	EnableUK

Visitors:

Steve Pereira	Medway Council note-taker
Shirley Griffiths	Medway LINK (Local Involvement Network)
Beth Peal	Medway Council - Person Centred Planning Co-ordinator

Members who said sorry they could not be at the meeting were:

John Bakker	NHS Medway - Interim Director of Commissioning
Kay Brunning	Valuing Medway People - Carers Forum (resigned date)
Guy Offord	Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust
Matt Gough	Medway Council - Housing Manager
Jason Terry	Forum for Adults with a Learning Disability

The AGM was a public meeting.

More than 40 (forty) members of the public also came to the meeting.

Some were adults with learning disabilities.

Some were family carers, supporters and providers of services.



1: Arrival and Drinks

2: Richard and Kathy welcomed everybody to the meeting

3: Liz and Beth told us about the work that was done during the year 2008 to 2009.

The information is in our Annual Report.

Richard told us that people with learning disabilities will be asked to take part in choosing Medway's new Partnership Board Coordinator.

Beth told us that the work plan for the next year includes more personalisation and person centred plans.

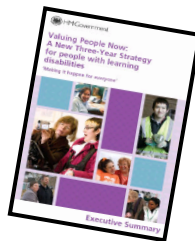
4: Report from the Forum for Adults with Learning Disability.

Kathy Johnson, Robert Wilson and Wayne Hill told us about the work the Forum did in 2008 to 2009.

They showed us a film they made for a competition.

The Forum will carry on its work next year
They will work on the Valuing People Now priorities.

All adults with a learning disability living in Medway can join the Forum



5: Medway Carers Strategy and the Providers Forum



Genette Laws told us about the joint Medway Council and NHS Medway Carers Strategy.

Medway will have one Forum for all providers of social care for adults.

The new Providers Forum would meet 4 times a year.

The Providers Forum will elect a member to be on the Valuing Medway People Partnership Board.

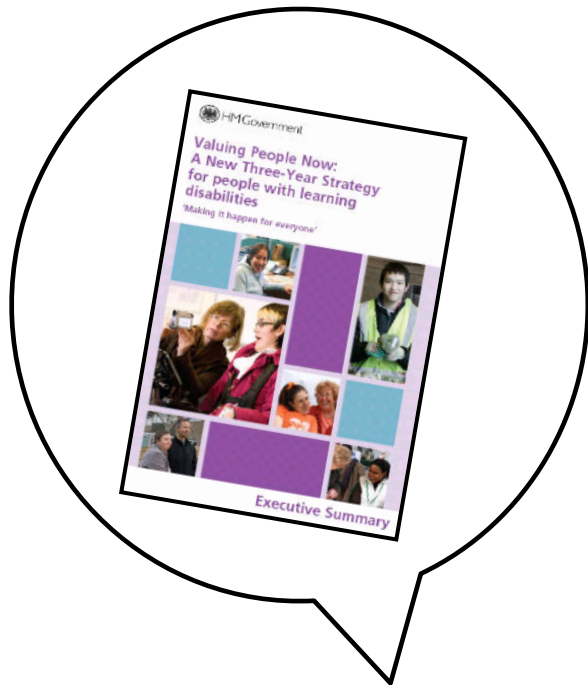
The new plan will give Medway a stronger Carers' Centre and Partnership Board.

Princess Royal Trust



Medway Carers Centre





6: Valuing People Now and Plans for 2009-10

Beth told us about Valuing People Now.

It is the Government's 3 year plan

The Plan tells the work we need to do to make sure that rights, independence, choice, and inclusion are provided in all services.

Copies of Valuing People Now are on the Government website at:

http://www.dh.gov.uk/prod_consum_dh/groups/dh_digitalassets/@dh/@en/documents/digitalasset/dh_081035.pdf





7: We had a break

8: We watched the Mix-it drama group

We can find out more about this group at this website

<http://www.ssiacymru.org.uk/index.cfm?articleid=3126>

9: The Annual General Meeting finished at 1pm

We had lunch