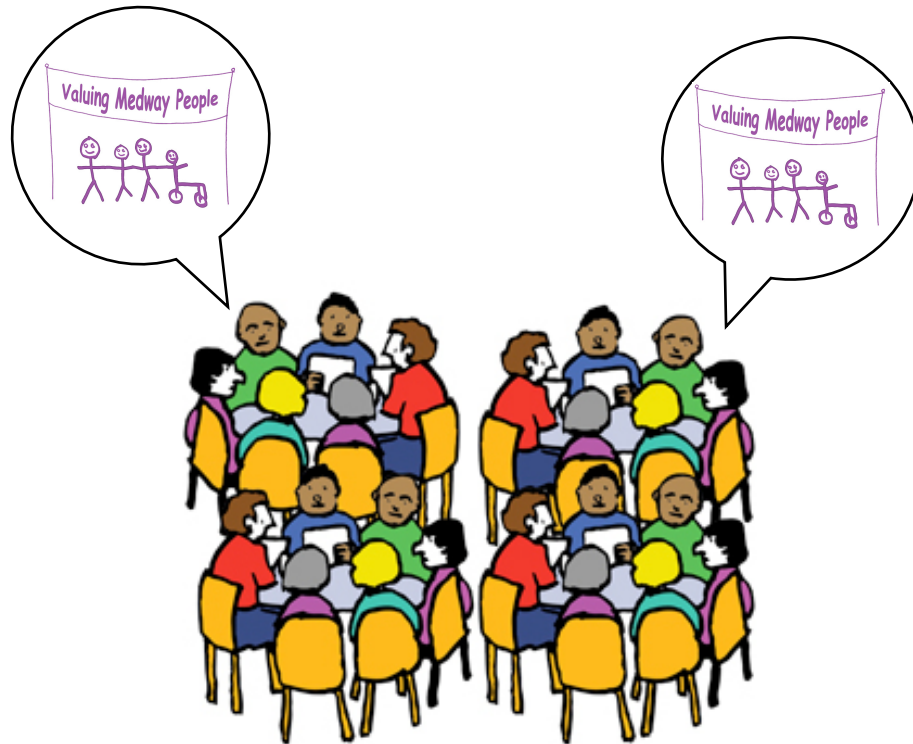


Leadership Forum for Adults with a Learning Disability living in Medway



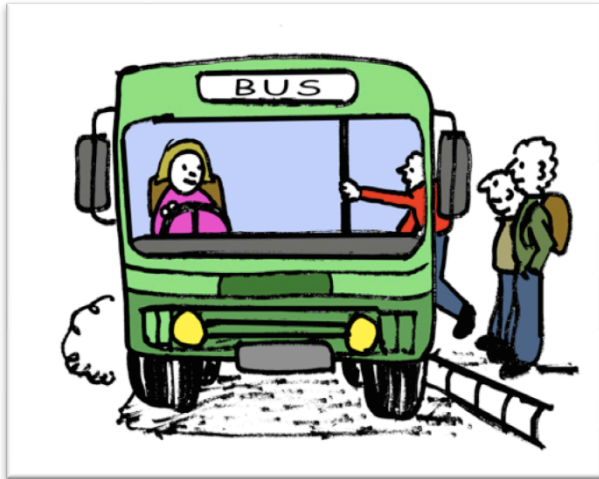
We had a meeting on Monday 14th September.

We had the meeting at 5a New Road Avenue Chatham.

Here are the names of the people who came to the meeting:

Kathy Johnson
Robert Wilson
Jason Terry
Ismail Malik
Lee Garlick
Margaret Watts
Paula Payne
Kelly Robertson
Kelly Green
Hilary Gamman
Doug Bell
Brian Blakeman
Colin Guest
Tim Guest

Apologies from the people at Greatfield Lodge who could not come to the meeting today



College Buddy Scheme

Kathy asked if the college buddies will have the training they were told about on 6th July.

We asked what will happen to the buddies when Pathways to Inclusion closes next year.

We agreed to have an open event at the college to get more volunteers.

It will be good to have choices in buddies, older people and men.

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Kathy Colin



Staying Out Late - concert

Ismail wants some information about the event so he can help get money.

Action Colin

Kathy will have a meeting with her co-chair before the 12th October to talk about the concert.

Action Kathy

Tim will find out about Awards for All and other schemes to see if we can get help.

Action Tim



Advocates

We talked about what is needed to be an advocate to help people tell the police about problems

An advocate may need to:

1. Travel to disability surgeries
2. Help explain problems to the police
3. Keep appointments at meetings and forums
4. Have a good memory
5. Be able to speak for somebody who needs support
6. Keep things private and confidential
7. Agree to have a name and photo on a poster

It would be helpful if an advocate could read and write

Kathy will ask the Partnership Board for an advocacy event in 4 weeks time.



We talked about the service we have when we need to see a doctor



Things that stop us getting good health care are:

When there is only one doctor.

We sometimes have to wait for over half an hour to see a doctor

They ignore people who really need to be seen first, it is very upsetting

They do not always examine us, they just give medication

It can take a week to see the doctor

It can take a very long time to get test results back.

Sometime I do not feel like I am being listened to.



Sometimes we do not feel comfortable waiting with lots of people

Some of us need more time with the doctor

Some of the words are difficult to understand, for example the information board

Some people only speak to supporters and not to us

We can't see the doctor at the beginning or the end of the day when there is not a queue

Information should be easier to read.

Things that are good about going to the doctors are:

I get half an hour with my doctor

Doctors do listen to us

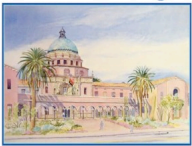
Some doctors do explain things to me so that I can understand

Sometimes they get it right

Some of us do get regular check ups



Calendar



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The next meeting will be at 5a New Road Avenue Chatham on Monday 19th October



10:30



12:00

from 10:30am to 12:00pm