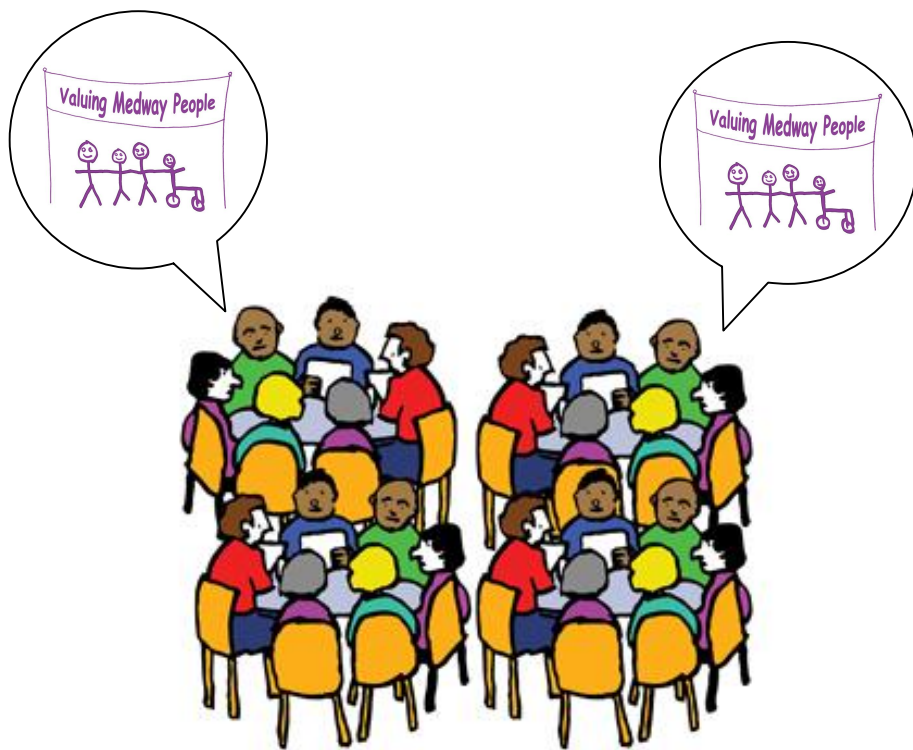


Forum for Adults with a Learning Disability



We had a Leadership Forum meeting on 9th March

We met at the CVS offices in New Road Chatham

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

Robert Wilson	Forum representative
Jason Terry	Forum representative
Kathy Johnson	Forum representative and Chair
Rick Dartnail	Forum representative

Betty Arnold
Brain Blakeman
Douglas Bell
Tina Bould
Paul Diprose
Pat Gillett
Kelly Green
Reg Higgs (for first hour)
Mark Jefford
Michelle Letchford
Robert Marno
Christine Nwagwu
Paula Payne
Ian Pegg

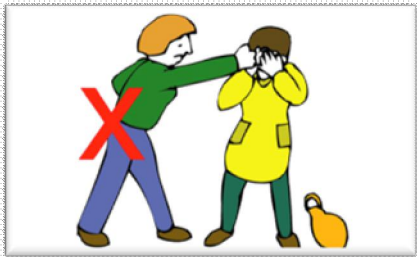
Ann Pennington
Kelly Robertson
Mark Rose
Tracey Ruben
Douglas Sawyer
Debbie Squires
Margaret Watts
Rebecca Winters

Apologies:

Jason Terry

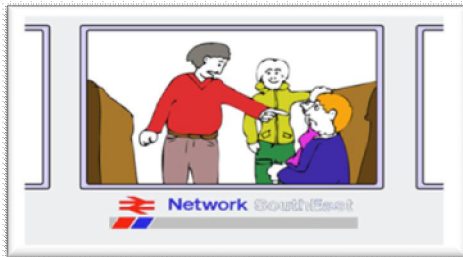
Facilitators:

Tim Guest
Colin Guest



1.

We talked about the Keeping Safe event we will have on 23rd March.



We made a list of things we want the people from the police, bus and train companies to know.



We also made a list of questions for them.

These will go on the Valuing Medway People website.



2. We heard about the Staying Up Late campaign.

In Medway we are going to call it the Staying Out Late campaign.

Too many adults with learning disabilities cannot have a life because they are not allowed to stay out late.

They have to fit in with the hours that their carers and supporters work.

We found out that some of the people at our meeting do stay out late. They get support and have choices.

But some cannot stay out late

We had a debate.



Robert Marno told us reasons for staying out late.

Then Kathy Johnson told us reasons for staying at home.

We asked questions then had a vote.

Most of us voted 'yes' for staying out late.

Here are just a few of the things we want to do:

Go to the cinema and clubs

Travel to London to see parks and go the zoo

Visit friends

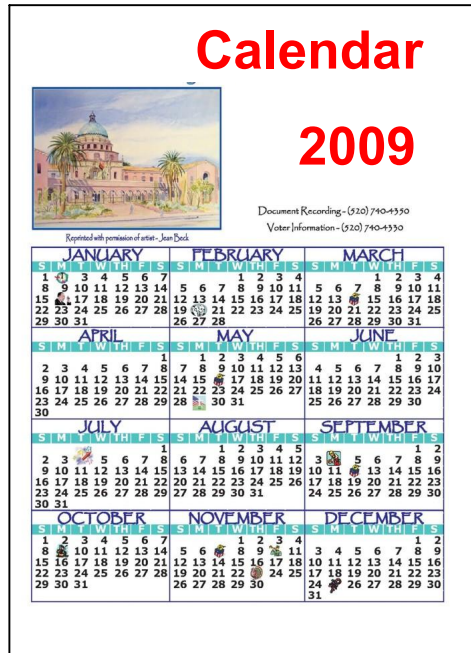
Go to restaurants



We will join in the Staying Out Late Campaign that is happening in England.



We agreed to make a plan and ask the Partnership Board to help us make it happen in Medway.



3.

The next meeting is the Keeping Safe event

10am to 3pm

23rd March 2009

King Charles Hotel Gillingham

