

BEDFORDSHIRE LOCAL INVOLVEMENT NETWORK (LINK)

UPDATE FOR CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE ADULT HEALTH, HOUSING & SOCIAL CARE MEETING - MONDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2011

January 2011

- 7 January 2011 LINK & Host quarterly meeting with Dr P Geoghegan, SEPT
- 10 January 2011 LINK Newsletter distributed
- 10 January 2011 Sent out questionnaires to 200 Care/Nursing Homes in Bedfordshire & Luton asking about residents discharge from hospital into nursing homes - closing date for responses 31.1.11
- 11 January 2011 LINK Mental Health & Learning Disabilities working group
- 13 January 2011 LINK attendance at SEPT "Launch of My Recovery" workbook event, Luton
- 14 January 2011 LINK Social Care working group meeting with speakers:
Michelle Bradley, AD, NHS Bedfordshire MH Services
Mike Osborne, Autism Bedfordshire
- 17 January 2011 Special meeting of LINK Board to discuss LINK finances
- 20 January 2011 Meeting with Central Beds Council, Host, LINK Chairman to discuss LINK contract
- 20 January 2011 LINK Acute, Ambulance, Primary Care working group meeting
- 21 January 2011 Joint Health OSC meeting : re: Mental Health Consultation

- 26 January 2011** LINK Board meeting with guests: *Cllr C Hegley, Spencer Colvin, L&D Hospital Chairman, CQC Compliance Officer*
- 27 January 2011** Follow-up meeting with SEPT re: visits to Whichello Wharf, Poplars Close and Townsend Court – mental health in-patient bed provision
- 31 January 2011** Discussions regarding website and hosting of own website for LINK to reduce costs.

February 2011

- 4 February 2011** LINK Dementia Training – Dr Johan Schoeman, Community Room, Rufus Centre
- 4 February 2011** Cross County Autism Steering Group
- 8 February 2011** Attendance at Central Bedfordshire Access Group meeting to ask questions of Mr Tim Hoyle regarding the discontinuation of the Welfare Rights Service
- 8 February 2011** Beds Community Health Services Transition Board
- 15 February 2011** Mental Health & Learning Disabilities Working Group
- 16 February 2011** Host meeting with Central Beds Council regarding the LINK contract for 2011-12
- 22 February 2011** Meeting to analyse care/nursing home questionnaires
- 25 February 2011** LINK Acute, Ambulance, Primary Care working group – guest speakers : *Sue Blackley, Bedford Hospital Quality Accounts and Judith Jackson & Marian McCartie, Patient Transport Service*
- 28 February 2011** LINK Board meeting – speaker : *Simon Chapman, L&D Hospital Business Development Manager – ward management.*

In addition, Bedfordshire LINK representatives attend key meetings at the L&D and Bedford Hospitals, NHS Bedfordshire, Social Care Provider Forums and are involved in practice commissioning groups for Ivel Valley, Chiltern Vale and West Mid Beds.

Max Coleman, Chairman, Bedfordshire LINK
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