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**Report to**

Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

**Report of**

Councillor Mrs Lucas

**Title**

Report Back on the Work Of Outside Bodies – Coventry Learning Disabilities Partnership Board 2012

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**1 Purpose of the Report**

This report sets out details of the work of the Coventry Learning Disabilities Partnership Board over the preceding twelve months and details of attendance by the City Council's representatives.

**2 Recommendations**

It is recommended that:

- 2.1 Cabinet Member (Health and Community Services) and Shadow Cabinet Member (Health and Community Services) provide their support of the work of the Coventry Learning Disabilities Partnership Board through their continued appointment to the Learning Disabilities Partnership Board.
- 2.2 The Cabinet Member (Health and Community Services) and Shadow Cabinet Member (Health and Community Services) attend Partnership Board meetings in person/through a substitute or receive a briefing on content and actions decided upon, where attendance is not possible.

**3 Information on Work of Outside Body**

- 3.1 The Learning Disabilities Partnership Board consists of representatives that can contribute to and inform the priorities for adults with a learning disability initiated by Valuing People and Valuing People Now. The constitution of the board includes the City Council, Clinical Commissioning Group, Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership Trust, Self-Advocates, family carers and provider services including the voluntary sector. The Terms of Reference for the Partnership are attached.
- 3.2 The Learning Disabilities Partnership Board is the mechanism to engage key stakeholders in the undertaking of annual reporting, the governance, and where required, sign off, of the annual reporting requirements in demonstrating local progress on meeting the Health and Wellbeing priorities of citizens of Coventry with a Learning Disability. It also enables the City Council and Health to engage in dialogue with people with Learning Disabilities and

their carers about the key issues facing the City Council and Health as well as the issues that are important to members of the Board. Annual Returns include:

- The Partnership Board Self-Assessment
- The NHS Health Self-Assessment

3.3 Key areas of work and topics covered by the Coventry Learning Disabilities Partnership Board during the last twelve months have included:

- Action planning to address areas for improvement highlighted in the Learning Disabilities Health Self-Assessment.
- Participation in consultation processes e.g. Coventry's draft Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Direct Payments Policy.
- How the quality of support provided to people with Learning Disabilities living in Coventry is monitored.
- Safeguarding, commissioning and monitoring.
- Advising on safeguarding in place post Winterbourne
- Hate and Mate Crime.
- Health updates and discussion on a range of themes, with involvement from Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership Trust, Grapevine and Community Learning Disabilities Nurses

3.4 For 2013, Coventry's Learning Disabilities Partnership Board will contribute to:

- Coventry's response to failings identified at Winterbourne View Hospital and how the Department of Health and the Association of Directors of Adult Social Services (ADASS) recommendations are being taken forward locally
- a review of Coventry's Learning Disabilities Strategy
- Finalising the action plan to address areas for improvement highlighted within the Learning Disabilities Health Self-Assessment
- the Commissioning Plan for people with Learning Disabilities
- discussion and activity relating to current budget pressures facing the City Council and partner organisations.

**4 Benefits to the City Council of the Appointment**

The City Council directly benefits from leading and having a strong presence on the Coventry Learning Disabilities Partnership Board. As it is an established group of multiple stakeholders it is a valuable mechanism for open and on-going dialogue regarding health and social issues as they affect people with Learning Disabilities. Without the group it would be difficult to have this dialogue and would risk the City Council becoming more remote from the people it serves.

**5 Attendance Record and Remuneration for the Appointment**

<b>Date of Board meeting</b>	<b>In attendance</b>
26 <sup>th</sup> January 2012	Cllr Lepoidevin and Cllr Clifford
29 <sup>th</sup> March 2012	Cllr Clifford
31 <sup>st</sup> May 2012	
26 <sup>th</sup> July 2012	Cllr Noonan and Cllr Clifford
22 <sup>nd</sup> August 2012	
27 <sup>th</sup> September 2012	
29 <sup>th</sup> November 2012	

5.1 Where the Cabinet Member (Health and Community Services) and Shadow Cabinet Member (Health and Community Services) have been unable to attend a Partnership meeting a briefing on any key issues discussed or identified has been provided.

5.2 There is no remuneration attached to these appointments.

#### List of background papers

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Papers open to Public Inspection

#### **1. Description of paper**

Coventry Learning Disabilities Partnership Board “How we will work” Terms of Reference

Coventry Learning Disabilities Strategy 2010 - 2013

**Location** Community Services Directorate

#### **2. Description of paper**

Schedule of City Council Appointments to outside Bodies

**Location** CH60