

Learning Disability Partnership Board Meeting



5 September 2024

**at The Moresk Centre, Truro
and on Microsoft Teams**

Who was there

Name	About them
Sandra Ward (stand-in Chair)	Parent carer, Director of Parent Carers Cornwall and Chair of Carers Partnership Board
Robert O'Leary	Healthwatch Cornwall
Alex Seaman	Brandon Trust
Amanda Wilton	Patient Council Derriford UHP
Anthony Dunn	Citizen Checkers
Bethany	
Charlotte Polglase	Citizen Checkers
Chris Ballett	Mencap
David Burns	Citizen Checkers and Healthwatch Cornwall
Debbie Gilbert	Healthwatch Cornwall
Dina Holder	The Women's Centre Cornwall
Ebony Rose Thomas	Citizen Checkers
Francesca	The CHAMPS
Gary Dymott	Community Connector (Bude)
Heather Davison	DIVAS
Janet Jervis	Parent Carer and supporting Antony Dunn
Jenna Pulley	Cornwall Partners in Policymaking
Julia Wildfire-Roberts	Shine Together, Pentreath

Name	About them
Julie Pape	The CHAMPs / Healthy Cornwall
Karen Gregory	Mid-Cornwall Hub
Karl Potts	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Kate Spenceley	Citizen Checkers
Laura Keeper	Blantyre Day Services & Cornwall People First
Lewis Henry	Brandon Trust
Lizzie Dennison	Cornwall Council
Luanne	Personal Assistant for David Burns
Mary Fuller	DIVAS
Rachel Mellor	Brandon Trust
Rosi Van Dam	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Ryan Sturgess	Lived experience
Samantha Mokarram	The Advocacy People
Sharon C	Cornwall Council
Shelagh Mitchell	Healthy Cornwall
Steve Dymond	Healthwatch Cornwall
Vicki Allan	Cornwall Council
Wayne Williams	Mid-Cornwall Hub

Who could not make it

Name	About them
Alison Short	The Advocacy People
Christopher Jordan	Cornwall People First
Sgt Flo Linscott	Devon and Cornwall Police
Jane Rees	Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust
Jo Cope	Jobcentre Plus
Jo Pike	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Karen Hooper	Cornwall Council
Marie Martin	Self-advocate
Marie Lobb	Parent Carer
Neil Carpenter	Cornwall People First
Paula Volkner	NHS Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Integrated Care Board
Professor Rohit Shankar	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Sam Maddern	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Sam Mokkoram	The Advocacy People
Dr Victoria Parnell	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Zoe Rawlence	Specialist Parenting Service
Alison Short	The Advocacy People
Christopher Jordan	Cornwall People First
Sgt Flo Linscott	Devon and Cornwall Police

What we talked about



Everybody agreed that the notes of the last meeting were correct.

Agreeing a Charter and Mission Statement

The last meeting was at St Erme Community Centre.

The Citizen Checkers asked what matters the most to you.

People said

1. Being listened to.
2. Respect.
3. Purpose – the Board is led by people with learning disabilities.
4. Achievement.
5. Sharing knowledge.
6. Kindness.
7. Trust.
8. Inclusion – everyone is welcome.
9. Collaboration – we work together.
10. Action – we make a difference.

The Partnership Board will be led by what you want.

Easy read will be presented at the next meeting.





Citizen Checkers and **Cornwall Partners in Policymaking** took part in the **Proud to Care Awards 2024**.

The team chose their favourites and David and Antony presented an award.

Citizen Checkers have also made a short film.

It is all about co-production.

That means helping **Cornwall Council** to work with people to make sure services are right for them.

The Board watched the film.

[Click here](#) to see it.

Antony Dunn said that everyone was very proud of the film.

Mencap is running a new forum in the St Austell and Clay Country area.

It wants to help people with a learning disability to move more and have fun.

The first forum will be on 25 September.



Cornwall Council is working to improve support to autistic people in Cornwall.



Citizen Checkers are holding sessions to let people talk about:

- understanding and acceptance
- improving support
- reducing inequalities
- employment and education
- independent living
- keeping safe.

[Click here](#) to find out more.

It will all help to produce an **Autism Strategy for Cornwall**.



Cornwall Council and the **Integrated Care Board** were working together on a **Learning Disability Strategy for Cornwall**.

But what gets included is down to you. The people with lived experience of learning disabilities.

We will talk about it at our November meeting.



The Diva's are giving Healthy Relationships training to organisations in Cornwall.

They are also going to start up **Cuppa and Chat groups**.

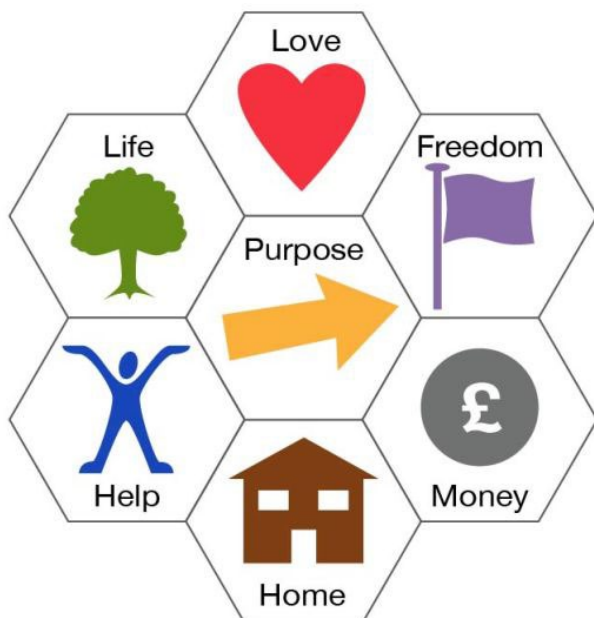
These are for women with learning disabilities and neurodivergent women who have been through domestic abuse.

They also provide individual support to women who have experienced Domestic Abuse and or Sexual violence.



Email [Penni Charteress](mailto:penni.charteress@womenscentre.org.uk) or call her on 07958 611948 for more information.

What does freedom mean to you?



At the last meeting we talked about the **7 Keys to Citizenship**.

We agreed that the theme of this meeting would be **freedom**.

Sandra Ward asked everyone – what does freedom mean to you?

This is what people said freedom means to them:



- Having **private space**. Cornwall Housing can make it feel like your home is being invaded.
- Every human has a right to exist and to **be respected**.



- Society should **treat everyone properly**.
- Booking a **GP appointment** should be easy.



- **Public transport** was not available to everyone.
- That meant people could not get to **supermarkets**.
- That meant they could not get **healthy food**.



- People in some areas could not get a **personal assistant**.
- Having **control of your own money**.



- Coming together to **help each other**.
- Having the **right support** from the right people.
- **Equity** is more important than equality.



Equality



Equity

The Board would talk about these issues at the next meeting.

Any Other business

A company called ICE Creates is working with Cornwall Council.

They want to know what people want and need from sexual health services.

They want you to complete a survey. You have until 22 September.

[Click here](#) to fill it in.

They also want community leaders to get in touch so they can hear the voices of people with lived experience.



Next meeting:



at Truro Library