

Darlington Local Involvement Network (LINK) AGM Meeting

Minutes of event 4th March 2010

Present: - List of attendees is held at the LINK office.

In attendance: Diane Lax (Team Leader, Carers Federation) Andrea Goldie (Community Engagement Worker Carers Federation)

Formalities

Jean Thurkettle advised the group of the exits and toilet facilities. Also advised about housekeeping and give an introduction

Welcome

Jean Thurkettle welcomed everyone

Blackburn & Darwen LINK

Blackburn with Derwent LINK completed presentation regarding their achievements and success stories from the last 12 months. They spoke about the current task and finish groups they have running which include Mental Health, Transport, Engagement, Home and personalised care task groups. They also advised the group about their enter and view task group and how they have made changes to their local hospitals as a result of the enter and view.

Michelle Thompson

Michelle gave a presentation about how people can get involved with Darlington LINK. She gave a personal account detailing her history and why she got involved with the organisation.

Diane Lax Presentation on LINK Activities & Membership

Diane talked about the activities Darlington LINK have completed since the launch last March they have included an event at Heighington Jigsaw Club, Darlington Carnival, Sadberge Fete, Cockerton Green, Gold Tea Dance, Gold Positive Health Day, North East LINK Event, Speak your mind event, Shopping Centre Promotions, Leaflet drop to over 5000 homes, LBTv Cornmill Event, Bus Advert, Development and Training for Core Group. Diane invited people present to get involved with current task groups and to raise issues and concerns that they may have around health and Social Care in Darlington. Diane advised that one of the task groups had

not had any work carried out and there were no interested parties so the Rural Health Task this would be removed from the work plan.

Paul Bell

Paul discussed an amendment to the constitution which details the following:

Core Group Members are requested to attend all Core Group Meeting; if 3 meetings are missed in any one year without appropriate apologies that member will automatically relinquish their position on the Core Group.

Jean Turkettle

Jean closed proceedings by thanking everyone for attending.

Next Core Group Meeting

Thursday 18th March 17:30 to 20:00 pm eVOLution Church Row Darlington.

Task Groups

Darlington LINKs have several Task Groups;

GP Task Group

Stroke Task Group

Communications Task Group

Minutes taken by Aaron Jack (LINKs Volunteer , Behalf of Darlington LINK



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