













Bedfordshire Think Autism Partnership Board Meeting

Minutes - 14th April 2015 – 11am

The Rufus Centre, Flitwick

	ACTIONS	
<p>1. Welcome, introductions and actions/minutes from last meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steve Minchington co-chair welcomed everyone to today’s showcase meeting and asked if anyone had any objections to photographs being taken at the event – nobody objected. • Copies of minutes and all partnership board documentation can be found on the CBC website at www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/adult-care/healthier-communities-older-people/fulfillinglivesdp • There was an update to outstanding actions. • Chris Stelling said he would contact the National Autistic Society to see if there is anything they are doing nationally regarding the passport office. Update: This is not a priority for the National Autistic Society at present - COMPLETED • POhWER to forward to Commissioners an update on the “So What?” debates for inclusion on the website. Sandra to email link to commissioners. Update: COMPLETED. <p>Capital funding was made available by the Department of Health Innovation Fund capital money. Commissioners were waiting for payment. Update: Money was received in February and projects funded by this capital grant have started.</p> <p>Action: Commissioners to update the partnership board on how the projects are developing.</p>	<p align="center">Commissioners</p>	
<p>2. Showcases</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suzy Keen introduced the showcase event, explaining that today was a celebration of a lot of the work that has been achieved around the local autism agenda. Apologies were given from Julie 		

<p>Ogley CBC Director for Social Care Health and Housing and Elizabeth Saunders Assistant Director for Strategic Commissioning.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was also explained that the agenda was packed to timescales were tight and if anyone had a question that couldn't be answered today they should complete the questions sheet on the tables and hand back to commissioners at the end of the meeting. BBC Social Care Director Kevin Crompton introduced himself and said he was very happy to be attending today's event and keen to see the work that has been achieved so far. The following presentations at todays showcase can be found on the CBC website (at www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/adult-care/healthier-communities-older-people/fulfillinglivesdp): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bedfordshire Police – Inspector Jeff Carter HMP Bedford – Mark Salisbury Diagnostics Service – Terri Dorman and Colin Parsons CBC Autism Specialist Service – Janine Campbell. BBC Social Services Assessments – Tina Holt / Laetitia Bartlett Bedford College – Di Lack Central Bedfordshire College – Wendy Cook POhWER and the Voice Groups – Sandra Pearce Autism Bedfordshire and Training – Chris Stelling 		        
<p>3. How was this showcase meeting – voting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Everybody voted and the outcome was extremely positive. The showcase had been a success and we had a record number of attendee's – 76 people in total ! 		
<p>4. Any other business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commissioners thanked everyone for attending – it was great to see so many people with autism in attendance 		

Date of next meeting:

Date TBA at The Rufus Centre

All

