



**Notes of Consultative Meeting with
 Mental Health Action Group
 (MHAG)**

**Wednesday 25th January 2012
 (1.00 – 3.00 pm)**

**The Birmingham & Midland Institute, 9 Margaret Street
 Birmingham B3 3BS
 Tel: 0121 236 3591**

PRESENT:

- Alex Davis (Chair)
- Enid Said (ES)
- Ken Barlow (KB)
- Gerry Moynihan (GM)
- Edwin Martin (EM)
- Linda Smart (LS)
- Jonathan Lea (JL)

FACILITATORS PRESENT:

- Andrew John (AJ) – Birmingham LINK Deputy Coordinator
- Christina Jobe (CJ) – Birmingham LINK Outreach Worker

APOLOGIES:

- Peter Colledge (PC)
- Rob

Item	Notes/Actions	By Whom	Date
1	<p><u>CHAIR FOR THE MEETING</u></p> <p>AD agreed to chair the meeting. AJ informed the group that after years of hard work, dedication and commitment to the Birmingham LINK, Paul Brian-Tovey has decided to stand down as a member of the LINK due to health reasons. AJ thanked P on behalf of the LINK and the Host.</p>		
2	<p><u>MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 2011 MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING</u></p> <p>Minutes were agreed as an accurate record.</p>		

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3	<p><u>BUSINESS DECLARATIONS</u></p> <p>None were declared</p>		
4	<p><u>MEETING WITH CARE QUALITY COMMISSION REGARDING COMPLAINT</u></p> <p>AD is awaiting a response back from his queries following his recent FOI request. AD will update group once a response has been received.</p> <p>Another complaint has been issues regarding the inaccurate statements within the report. AD to feedback.</p> <p>CQC is to asked why there is a reluctance to allow LINK members to speak to patients.</p> <p>Host to arrange a meeting with Debbie Mead.</p>	<p>AD</p> <p>AD</p> <p>HOST</p>	
5	<p><u>SUPPORTING PEOPLE</u></p> <p>Cuts are being implemented and services are reduced. Birmingham City Council have stated that the need for Supporting People has been reduced.</p>		
6.	<p><u>IAPT UPDATE</u></p> <p>Host to arrange a meeting with Mike Kay and Peter to discuss the stats.</p>	<p>HOST</p>	
7.	<p><u>AOB</u></p> <p>AJ clarified the role of the 'We Can Do' groups.</p> <p>Host to attend the Mental Heath Conference on behalf of the LINK, ES to forward the date.</p> <p>Strategy Group meeting is tomorrow (Thursday 26 January). Host to</p>	<p>HOST/ES</p> <p>HOST</p>	

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	<p>forward the agenda to the group.</p> <p>AJ informed the group that local HealthWatch has been delayed until April 2013. BVSC may not necessarily carry on with the extended contract. AJ confirmed that LINKs are separate to HealthWatch so this change will not be a transition.</p> <p>Sandra Lawrence is the new LINK Policy Officer at Birmingham City Council.</p> <p>ES to contact Vanessa for the overview of the advocacy provision for Birmingham.</p> <p>Date of next meeting: Wednesday 29 February from 11-1pm at the Birmingham Midland Institute.</p>		