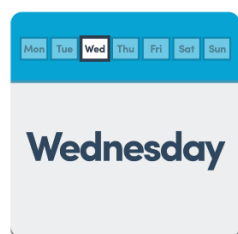






Friends and Relationships Subgroup






Meeting Minutes – what was said at the meeting



County Hall, Preston,

Item	Subject
<p>1.</p>  <p>Welcome</p>	<p>Welcome</p> <p>The following people were at the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sue Sharples – Co-Chair • Chris Hurst – Community Team • Julie Madden – Integrate • Katie Horn – LinkAbility • Katy Brooks – • Lucy Hamlin – Spring Projects • David Sellers – Community Learning Disability Nurse 

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lucy Irid – People First <p>Apologies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jean Grey – Co-Chair • Bradley Wilson – Meet n Match • Amanda Rayner • Debbie McKinstry • James Hughes • John Ainscough • Mark O’Farrell – People First • Tania Cockcroft – Blackpool and Lancashire Sexual Health Services • James Huges – People First
<p>2.</p>  	<p>Minutes from the last meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes were agreed. <p>Declarations of interest</p> <p>(people must say if they do other work that might stop them making good decisions for the partnership board)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were no Declarations of Interest.
<p>4.</p> 	<p>Community Team</p> <p>Katy from the community team asked for more feedback about the sex and relationships pathway.</p>



She said that most referrals to the pathway were around safety and boundaries. Referrals are often for urgent care.

Sue said that it would be good if providers were more confident to support people with sex and relationships. Spring into Action have been offering workshops in 5 areas over the last year. Funding for this has now ended.

Sue also said that people didn't know that training can be set off against financial assessments.

It is sometimes unclear who should provide support around sex and relationships – Health services or Social Care services.

5.










All Age Strategy




Lucy and Bradley have been looking at the All Age Strategy. They have looked at:

- What the strategy says should happen
- What is actually happening
- What needs to happen

The strategy makes big statements. These are ambitious which makes them difficult to achieve.

	<p>The Oversight Group has been struggling. It has not been meeting for a while.</p> <p>Lucy said that attendance at Meet n Match events has been dropping. There is a lack of support staff.</p> <p>Action: ask Charlotte to recommend someone to speak to the group about provider contracts.</p>
<p>6.</p> 	<p>Peer Led Support</p> <p>Charlotte has asked for proof that peer led support will save money.</p> <p>Unite are working with Supported Loving on a training pack about peer led support.</p>
<p>7.</p> 	<p>Break</p>
<p>8.</p> 	<p>Awards</p> <p>This will now take place in September.</p> <p>Action: Lucy I to send out more information and nomination forms.</p>
<p>9.</p> 	<p>Domestic Abuse Service</p> <p>Match N Meet have funding from the Lancashire Women's Fund. The project hasn't been fully</p>

	<p>decided yet. They aim to engage with people on a more regular basis. They will consider</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - wellbeing - meditation - a holistic approach <p>They aim to involve 30 women over 12 months.</p> <p>Sue asked about working with the Domestic Abuse Service. Lucy has tried to contact them before but will try again.</p>
<p>10</p> <p>ELEVATUS TRAINING</p>	<p>Elevatus update</p> <p>The Lancashire group have had a Zoom call with Elevatus. Things are difficult in America at the moment. A lot of the staff who support people have lost their jobs.</p> <p>They plan to meet again soon.</p>
<p>11.</p> 	<p>Any other business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We might ask Sarah Bibby from the Women's Service to come to a meeting. • We will ask the EFL for contacts with Lancashire football clubs. • Sue has done a blog for Learning Disability England.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Policy work – Sue has sent a draft policy to providers.• Unite have put in a bid to develop a course about loss and bereavement.
<div>12.</div> <div></div>	<div>Next meeting</div> <div>16 July 2025</div> <div><div><div>MonTueWedThuFriSatSun</div><div>Wednesday</div></div><div><div>July</div><div>16</div></div><div><div></div><div>2025</div></div></div> <div>1.30pm to 3.30pm</div> <div><div><div><div>121110987654321</div><div></div><div>1:30</div></div><div></div><div><div><div>121110987654321</div><div></div><div>3:30</div></div><div></div></div></div><div>County Hall, Preston</div><div></div></div>
<div>13.</div> <div></div>	<div>End of meeting</div>