

Newcastle Advisory Group

March 2019



Present today BT, DF, BR, TM, NP, JF, KM
Apologies KM, JJ, MD

JJ has a temporary new role at the Council which will make it more difficult for him to connect with the Group for a while. KM to follow up on how the link with the Council is maintained during this time.



Information Now:

The Group was contacted by Kate Bowman after the meeting last month to follow up on how we could help shape the development of the Council's Information Now Website.

www.informationNOW.org.uk



BR, NP and JF to meet separately to look at what is needed. This should include thinking about the other groups and organisations who could contribute to this.

Engagement opportunities:

Newcastle Council – Project Group

Sean Cocking invited members of the Group to attend the monthly Council Project Group meeting. This looks at development of housing and support options in the city. At this they will be thinking about how overnight support can be provided in different ways. BT, DF & KM will



ask questions raised by the Group and feedback at the meeting in April.



NDTi Housing event

Members of the Group have been invited to take part in a discussion organised by the National Development Team for Inclusion (NDTi) to look at housing and how it meets the rights of all people, regardless of their age or disability, to have choice and control and be included in the community. NP, KM & KM will attend this on 1st April and feedback at our next meeting.



Safeguarding:

KM to check if Easy Read Safeguarding Documents are on the Council Website yet and share link to this information.



Connections:

A list of the organisations and groups the Advisory Group has connections with has been sent through to the Council. This is to help identify Transforming Care networks and key stakeholders.



The Group agreed that it needs an online presence to be able to involve and share information with more people. KM will follow up on this possibility through the Council and Inclusion North websites. Also noted was the need to strengthen our connections with younger people (18-25) and their families.



The Newcastle Advisory Group will meet on:

April 5th

May 3rd

June 7th

July 5th