



## Pan Dorset ASC Partnership Board

### Minutes of meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2015 at 2.000pm at Delphwood (full Board Meeting).

<b>Present</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
Jonathan O'Connell (Chair)	BOP Commissioning Manager
Chris Watson	DCC Commissioning Manager
Nigel Harris	DAAS Service User / Self Advocate
Diane Waters	DAAS Director and Family Carer
Brian Cox	DAAS Family Carer
Elaine Hurlll	BBC & Dorset CCG Commissioning Manager, MH Services
Allyson Coram (Evans)	DCC Development Officer
Karen Wilmshurst	Autism Wessex
Teri Roberts	Dorset Police Equality Lead
Kim Dix	CAAS - Service Manager
Karen Sutton	CAAS – Clinical Psychologist

<b>Apologies</b>	
Gill Thomas	Job Centre Plus
Theresa Divall	Borough of Poole (L&D)
Mark Flute	DCC (Weymouth Social Care Team)
Janet Jones	Bournemouth Borough Council (L&D)
Lesley Mellor	Dorset Parent Carers Council

Allyson Coram reported that Sue West is no longer involved in the ASC Board as her role has changed, Allyson to follow up on a replacement for Sue from Dorset CC L&D.

		Action
<b>1.</b>	<b>Introductions</b> Everyone introduced themselves; and Jo O'Connell welcomed the new members.	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Minutes of Last Meeting</b> The minutes of the last full Board meeting held on Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2015 were approved subject to the following correction: Diane Waters to be Diane throughout (not Di).	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Matters Arising/Actions</b> I. Social work need in the west - there is no existing evidence but DAAS will collect any other stories/evidence. The contact at DCC now is Harry Capron, Head of Operational Services. Karen Sutton said CAAS is also collating information from a social worker in the east Dorset side about individuals with Aspergers who are having to access social work via the CMHT. CAAS will take this forward with Elaine Hurlll. Nigel Harris said he finds the arrangements for social work confusing – Karen	



	<p>Wilmshurst said the Autism Wessex advice line also find this is reported by people who call them.</p> <p>II. ASC Chapter in JSNA Jo O’Connell has followed up with Public Health – need to monitor progress.</p> <p>III. 18.5K update: ASC friendly rooms in libraries. Karen Wilmshurst arranged to give some input re ASC needs into Dorchester Library room. Works in hand. Poole is at the stage of getting quotes agreed for work to be done to 2 rooms at Rossmoor Library. Aim is to have it in use early in July. Jo O’Connell to e-mail Nigel Harris and others involved details of the adjustments agreed. Bournemouth project was delayed but options are now being followed up.</p> <p>IV. Sensory Integration Therapy Room (“Think Autism” award) Almost completed – Health and Safety check to be done: should be available for use by start of July. There will be a press release – Kim Dix to send details to Allyson Coram for communication to the Board.</p> <p>V. Membership of the Board Jo O’Connell, Chris Watson, Elaine Hurlll (and Allyson Coram) held a pre-meeting with DAAS representatives before this main meeting. A guide to membership for the Board and a code of conduct for meetings have both been agreed. These will be put into final format and circulated for information in advance of the next full Board meeting.</p> <p>VI. Contacts for Jobcentre Plus Management. Gill has been in touch with Elaine Hurlll. Elaine will follow up with her.</p> <p>VII. ASC and Housing Allyson Coram and Elaine Hurlll to have a conversation about the proposed letter and guide notes for housing officer and housing providers. We are aiming for a Pan-Dorset approach to ASC and housing. Elaine pointed out that arrangements for housing provision have recently changed again.</p> <p>VIII. Pan Dorset ASC Strategy This item is carried forward and will be raised at the next main meeting. We will check on who needs to be at the December meeting.</p> <p>Chairing arrangements: it has been agreed that chairing will now be for a 2 year period.</p>	<p><b>JO’C</b></p> <p><b>JO’C</b></p> <p><b>KD</b></p> <p><b>AC</b></p> <p><b>EH</b></p> <p><b>AC, EH</b></p> <p><b>JO’C EH, CW AC</b></p>
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<p><b>4.</b></p>	<p><b>Police links to ASC work</b></p> <p>I. Safeguarding Teri asked if the PD ASC PB monitors ASC safeguarding referrals. This relates to whether social care records a person as having ASC.</p> <p>Within the Pan Dorset ASC Strategy, safeguarding is not a workstream at present. The Board may wish to try and look at the annual figures; bearing in mind the recording issues (main diagnosis). Karen Sutton reported that CAAS do raise quite a lot of safeguarding issues.</p> <p>II. Victims of crime Where can police signpost people – this could be taken forward through the Crisis Care Concordat and its action plan: lead person for this is Elaine Hurll who will follow up.</p> <p>III. Pan Dorset Prejudice Free Group This is around raising awareness and making sure people know how to report disability hate crime. Agreed Teri Roberts will be the PD ASC PB link person with this group and she will give Allyson Coram any material that needs to be circulated. Work to revise the police website will include enabling on line reporting. Reporting by text is already possible. Nigel Harris pointed out that people with ASC can become more distressed than others when in a difficult situation (like when trying to report a problem).</p> <p>IV. Risk of people with ASC becoming offenders. The police work is about helping families in a crisis situation to know where to get appropriate help, as the individual with ASC may well be very distressed rather than actually offending. Sometimes people are advised to call the police as there is not a lot of alternative. Teri Roberts will bring some anonymised examples so that Board member can consider ways in which people could be signposted. Elaine Hurll pointed out that the acute services Crisis Care review is likely to lead to a single point of access for anyone in crisis. Elaine Hurll to link up with Teri Roberts around this work. They will involve the CAAS service and Autism Wessex so that this work can be co-ordinated.</p> <p>V. “PREVENT” anti radicalisation agenda There was a presentation to the Board on this in September 2014. There is a Pan Dorset “PREVENT” board which Teri Roberts sits on; Karen Wilmshurst is awaiting information from the “PREVENT” leads. Karen Wilmshurst is hoping it can be presented as information around helping people to keep safe. Any information can be sent out to the Board via</p>	<p><b>AC</b></p> <p><b>EH</b></p> <p><b>TR</b></p> <p><b>TR</b></p> <p><b>EH/TR</b> <b>EH/TR/</b> <b>KS/KW</b></p> <p><b>TR</b></p>
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5.	<p>Allyson Coram. Regular (annual) updates to the Board on the data the police collect on this would be helpful. Teri Roberts will link up with Karen Sutton.</p>	TR TR
	<p>VI. National Autism Strategy for the police service. This is upcoming (due any day); Teri Roberts will follow this up and report to the Board.</p>	TR
	<p>VII. Autism Alert Cards Since the launch in April approx. 115 cards have been issued. Training for police staff is on going. Autism Wessex are actively promoting the card. Next focus for training might need to be on the other emergency services.</p>	KW/AC
	<p>More people are going onto the database as a result of the Alert Cards which is really useful. Agreed to review progress on take up of cards and sign up to the database at the October PD ASC Partnership Board meeting.</p>	
	<p>VIII. Safer Schools and Community Teams This group are keen to assist with helping around internet safety, bullying etc. and they are finding that the need for advice to/about people with ASC comes up more now.</p>	AC  EH  JO'C EH CW
	<p><b>ASC Self Assessment</b> A summary table for the 3 Dorset authorities had been circulated to Board members.</p>	
	<p>The number of rated questions set by the IHaL went up from 18 in 2012/13 to 24 in 2013/14. Pages 4 and 5 highlighted the red areas and how we plan to address these.</p>	
	<p>Older people and autism might be something we need to look at when we review the Action Plan.</p>	
	<p>ASC training for social care workers as well as health workers is about to begin again (CAAS delivering).</p>	
	<p>Elaine Hurl is going to have a discussion with Mark Harris and Jen Lea (both Dorset CCG) about the matter of speech and language therapy for adults with ASC.</p>	
<p>Services provided to carers across the board should improve under the Care Act, but we need to monitor whether carers of people with ASC are getting a carer's assessment.</p>		
<p>In terms of assessments and social workers' training, Bournemouth are looking to replace their specialist assessor. Agreed that Chris Watson will take up the question of Dorset's operational</p>		



	<p>arrangements with both his colleagues in commissioning and the operational lead at DCC.</p> <p>Regarding housing, Brian Cox sought clarification of what Bournemouth are doing for people with ASC: agreed Brian will have a look at the Bournemouth Borough Council Housing Strategy. For training, Karen Wilmshurst offered to collate all the ASC training detailed up to 31/12/15 (Sue West has done this in the past).</p> <p><b>6. Think Autism: Pan Dorset position, where are the gaps?</b></p> <p>I. Diagnosis: G.P training – DAAS is still hearing about G.P's who are not diagnosing – maybe there could be one G.P in each group of practices who could be a lead on ASC? Elaine Hurll said that within the NHS Clinical Service Review, under some of the proposed out of hospital care models we may have a chance to improve work on ASC with G.P.s going forward. There may be some opportunities around G.P. training days. The best lead for this might be a GP rather than Elaine herself - she will check.</p> <p>II. Transitions: Chris Watson and Allyson Coram to consider whether Claire Eveleigh should be asked to be the Dorset ASC lead. Claire is on a one year secondment to work on Transitions arrangements in the Dorset CC area. Poole and Bournemouth already have dedicated Transitions teams.</p> <p>III. Employment: please see item 7. below.</p> <p>IV. Assistive Technology Diane mentioned need to look at assistive technologies; this is to be picked up in the consideration of the review of the Action Plan next December.</p> <p><b>7. Employment</b> This should get picked up under the outcomes of the Clinical Service review at the end of the year. Elaine Hurll will follow up then.</p> <p><b>8. Any other Business</b> Bournemouth Borough Council representation on the PDASC PB: Elaine Hurll will raise with Bournemouth possible operational representation. We will add details of people's roles to the attendance sheet for Board meetings.</p> <p><b>9. Date of next Meeting</b> The next full meeting of the Board will be on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at Delphwood and will run from 2pm to 4pm.</p>	<p><b>CW</b></p> <p><b>KW</b></p> <p><b>EH</b></p> <p><b>CW/AC</b></p> <p><b>AC to note</b></p> <p><b>EH</b></p> <p><b>EH</b></p> <p><b>AC</b></p>
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