

MINUTES OF SUPPORTING PEOPLE CORE STRATEGY GROUP

FRIDAY 13TH APRIL

PART 1

<p>Present: Linda Loft, David Gibson, David Hammant, Graham Glazier, Wendy Norman, Amina Rahman, Anne Dungan</p> <p>Apologies: John Slaven, Margaret Whittington, Suzette Polson</p>	<p>ACTION</p>
<p>Minutes of Last Meeting - agreed</p>	
<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>Sheltered Housing - at meeting on 16th February CSG had suggested that £10k to be carried forward from 2006/07 could potentially be used to fund research into levels of need in sheltered housing. CSG will pursue this if funds are carried forward</p> <p>(Carried over from Feb 16th) Providers want to be briefed on the future of the SP programme as it is absorbed into the LAA in 2009. LL agreed to address next Provider Forum.</p>	<p>WN</p> <p>LL</p>
<p>Budget</p> <p>WN presented a spreadsheet outlining budget position including changes from Feb 16th position. This showed that the funds available to the programme from Bromley had decreased. LL explained the financial difficulties that the Council is facing over the next few years and the limited sources of funding that are available to meet increasing demands from all departments.</p> <p>WN explained that since Bromley had achieved 4 stars it would be considered as an excellent authority and different grant conditions would apply. The grant has to be spent on "welfare" rather than solely on "housing related support". LL reminded CSG that grant was fully committed at present [WN to confirm split between 1 and 3 year contracts]</p>	<p>WN</p>
<p>Annual Report</p> <p>WN introduced the Annual Report which will be presented to the Portfolio Holder on 24th April 2007 and drew CSG attention to the</p>	

<p>achievements of the programme in 2006/07. Particular areas were continuous improvement as demonstrated by higher ratings in the QAF, communications via the website and review of leaflets and directory of services. There had been some improvement in KPIs.</p> <p>WN is working on an equality impact assessment and action plan. This work in progress is part of the action plan for 2007-08 and will be brought back to CSG after consultation with BME rep group, Provider Forum and before being presented to the CB.</p>	<p>WN</p>
<p>Action Plan / Commissioning Plan</p> <p>The action plan for 2007-08 requires updating. WN presented an early draft of the SP commissioning plan for the next 3 years.</p>	<p>WN</p>
<p>Inspection Update</p> <p>Dates confirmed and role of CSG. There will be a briefing lunch on April 30th 2007 at the Civic Centre.</p>	
<p>Provider Representative Feedback</p> <p>The Provider Forum had met on 13th April am and had a useful session discussing the Bromley steady state contract. As a result of that a few issues remained to be clarified and discussed with the Senior Solicitor before steady state contracts could be issued to providers. Providers commented that Bromley were the only team to have facilitated such a session which was considered to be good practice.</p> <p>Suzette Polson had also made a useful presentation about how providers could link into services for people with substance misuse problems in schemes.</p>	<p>WN</p>
<p>Outcomes Monitoring</p> <p>WN outlined the latest situation in respect of outcomes monitoring which will be introduced by DCLG sometime this Spring. Training will be put on for providers by the sub-region.</p>	<p>WN</p>
<p>Process for Reviewing Decommissioning Decisions</p> <p>WN presented the process to CSG for comment. Several amendments were suggested which will be incorporated into the document, including expanding the process to include significant remodelling and clarifying that the CB may need to hold an additional meeting to accommodate this process..</p>	<p>WN</p>

Date of Next Meeting	
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8 th June 2007.	
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