

Meeting Minutes

Present:

Phil Woods – Family Member & Chair
Andrea Glasspell – Assistant Director – Community Health and Wealth, Wigan Council
Sarah Marshall – Assistant Director, Greater Manchester Integrated Care Organisation
Alan Bailey-Banks – Wigan Wellbeing
Colin Harvey – Parent
Stacey Forsyth-Duffy – More Than Words
Louise Hall – Consultant Clinical Psychologist, GMMH
Alison Badley – Clinical Team Manager, GMMH
Joe Wiswell - DWP
Adrian Shone – Autism Advocate
Deborah Thomson - Engagement & Inclusion Lead, Wigan Council
Rachael Darling – Strategic Development Manager, Wigan Council
Siobhan Smith – SENDS Engagement Officer, Wigan Council
Matt McQuillan – Inclusion Manager, Be Well, Wigan Council
Deborah Shuttleworth-Pennington – Project Officer, Wigan Council

Apologies:

Amanda Cheesman – Deputy Chief Nurse, WWL
Reg Dempster – GM Fire and Rescue Service
Tracey Cunliffe – Senior Casework, MP Jo Platt Office
Marie Baron – Service and Integration Manager NHS GM
Gillian Percy – Parent
Lauren Crews – Service Manager Housing, Wigan Council
Luisa Preston – Parent Carer Forum
Louise Gettings – Designated Clinical Officer (DCO) for SEND – Wigan Locality - NHS GM
David Bradley – Probation Service
Kathryn Anthon – Service Manager, Personalisation, Wigan Council
Melanie Allen – SEND Service Manager, Wigan Council
Lindy Wardle – Service Manager, Provider Management & Market Development, Wigan Council
Mike Wharton – Assistant Director Adult Social Care Practice
Cllr Keith Cunliffe – Deputy Leader, Wigan Council. Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care and Health
Emma Edwards – Public Health, Wigan Council
David Williams, Autism Advocate
Dan Driver – Service Lead Locality Teams, Wigan Council
Hannah Forbes – Leigh Community Trust
Paul Startup – Wigan Council, Service Lead Children with Disabilities

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1.	Welcome & Introductions: Welcome messages were received, introductions made, and apologies noted.	Phil Woods
2.	Matters arises and previous meeting minutes: - The board agreed the minutes were an accurate reflection of the previous meeting. - The action log was updated.	Phil Woods Deb SP
3.	Self Advocates Wigan Autism Partnership Board Ma Autism Engagement Group - The attached slides are for board member's information. Board Comments: - Following the feedback from an engagement group member in relation to a positive experience on Orrell Ward and a negative experience in A&E the board would like an update from WWL in relation to the changes being implemented in A&E, some examples of recent patient experiences and the plans for the future to strengthen support for people who require reasonable adjustments. Action: Amanda to update at the July board.	Deb Thomson
4.	House of Lords – Call for evidence The board reviewed the summary of responses from the feedback from shared locally, the copy has been updated and shared with the shared with the chair for final sign off. This will be submitted to the call for evidence before the deadline on 2 June.	All
5.	Any Other Business The board agreed to setup a workshop to refresh the Wigan Autism Strategy in November/December 2025. Action: Deb SP to arrange.	All
Date and time of next meeting Date – Wednesday 23 July 2025 Time – 10am – 12:30pm Venue – Training Room, Ashland House, Dobson Park Way, Ince, Wigan, WN2 2DX / MS Teams		