

DRAFT NOTES

LCC/LCA/UKHCA (LF) Domiciliary Working Group Meeting Notes Tuesday 2nd September 2008, 2:00 pm @ Farington Lodge

Attendees :	Sue Porter	SP	LCC
	Brian Monk	BM	LCC
	Julie Evans	JE	UKHCA
	Ian Newby	IN	UKHCA
	Paul Simic	PSc	LCA
	Sarah Luton	SL	LCA

Apologies: Mike Webster
Sue Lace
Martin McHugh
Paul Callander

1. Residential / Domiciliary Joint Issues

1.1 Short Break Voucher Scheme (Joanne Sherborne in Attendance)

JB asked for feedback on the guidance. Once the guidance is agreed it will appear on the website. LCA will also put a link on its website and e-newsletter.

Action: JB/PSc

1.2 County Commercial Services

LCC waiting for a response from their legal department. LCA waiting to here from Nigel Finnamore.

Action: C/Fwd to next meeting

1.3 Dignity in Care Charter

SP reported that there are only a small number of providers signed up to the Charter.

PSc noted that Ruth Passman is speaking on this issue at the LCA Conference and LCA will try to further profile the Care Charter.

1.4 Lancashire Computer Initiative

SP reported that the orders from Domiciliary providers have been taken and delivery is expected to be 1st October. Residential providers will then be targeted. This is for hardware only. The LWDP working group are collating information on software available.

1.5 Presentation to John Bolton, DOH

John Bolton visiting LCC on 13th October. This will help raise the profile of the Social Care Partnership.

PSc also noted that he had met with Richard Jones and Chris Heginbotham. PSc proposed a joint half day workshop for providers; 'What Care Looks Like in Lancashire'.

2. Service User Questionnaire

- 2.1 BM noted that the questionnaire is to be issued in July 2009. There will need to be discussions on how to advertise the results as they come in. SP to do a note to providers to brief them on the process and outline the schedule.

Action: SP

3. Re-Opening the Preferred Provider List

- 3.2 SP noted that LCC have re-opened the list. Providers have been given a deadline of 8th October 2008 to show their intent. SP gave the group the general principles on how new providers will be evaluated. SP noted that when a tighter outline of this process is finished it will be circulated around the group.

Action: SP

4. Domiciliary Fair Price – Where Now?

- 4.1 It was noted that Laing and Buisson have taken the ‘walk away’ deal. It was agreed that this issue would be c/fwd, as there is a need to agree a way forward.

Action: C/Fwd Next Meeting

5. Unified Contract

- 5.1 PSc informed the group that LCA and LLDC had agreed that the draft contract needed a legal opinion. It was hoped that providers would contribute to a ‘pot’ of money to pay for the legal advice.

6. Any Other Business

6.1 Fuel Costs

It was agreed that this issue was to be c/fwd to the SCP Steering Group. There was discussion around a possible contingency fund for issue like fuel costs.

Action: SCP Steering Group

7. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 14th October 2008, 12:15 pm at Farington Lodge