

Learning Disability Partnership: EMPLOYMENT TASK GROUP MEETING

Date : 2 February ,1.30-3 pm

Venue: Elders Street Day Centre, Scarborough

Present:	<p>David Keeton (IGEN), Angela Key (Co –Chair, A & CS) Sue Parsons ,(Cauwood) Elaine Constantine (Team Manager A&CS), Lesley Dixon (Dalewood), Avis Turner (Basics Plus), Hazel Cornhill (Action for Children) John Lawson (OM2 A&CS) Jane Jordan (Adult Learning service) Rebecca Buckle (Service User)</p> <p>Invited guest – Lucy Muir (The Hay Shed Experience) Gill Sowman ESDC Admin minutes)</p>
Apologies:	Dennis Allen

1	<p>DK welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked them to introduce themselves to our visitor Lucy Muir. Lucy explained she was a Director of The Hay Shed Experience whose ethos is to lead disabled people into employment through training, confidence building, life Skills covering Horticulture, Catering, Sales (Tea Shop). Each client has an individual plan drawn up and is supported throughout to empower them to achieve their personal goals. Placements are created to develop skills, help with CV's, Interview Techniques, Educational guidance and support. They have a flexible approach and can cater for one off visit or 6 week x ½ day placements, they can be tailor made to each need. Based in Comondale near Whitby and on the train route, LM handed out leaflets and offered Group placements to students, 14-18 age group for ½ day sessions.</p>	ACTIONS
2	<p><u>Collating Figures on work related activities –Valuing Employment</u></p> <p>DK invited John Lawson to speak on Valuing People process, the starting point for compiling information for the Partnership Board. John had over the past month compiled all the figures sent in from everyone identified at the start of this piece of work and replies had been received by most. 'Participation' – no response JL will follow up. This will be on going and updated quarterly for the first year, when we hope to see the pattern/ and or progress of the work we are doing. DK to follow up with Working Links /In Training. AT (Basic Plus) informed the meeting of new options through 'Pathway to Work' which may need to be added to the equation in the future. JL agreed this may be the case once all information known. This now provides us with an accurate base line and everyone agreed to provide JL with updated figures every three months which could then be fed back to the following meeting. (31 March</p>	<p>JL DK</p>

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<p>6</p>	<p><u>Moving On Event</u> Thursday 29 April 2010 ,10 am – 3 pm Carers Resource Service will join DK Careers, education providers, Supported Employment, and other Support Services to host the Moving On Event at the New Scarborough Rugby Club, hopefully including information sessions for parents ,carers throughout the day. DK is currently working getting funding for the food through Connexions in future Events may involve employers. This will be a joint collaboration but mainly Education based, LM was invited and it is hoped Care Managers will attend over the day also.</p>	<p>ACTIONS</p>

7	<p>AOB JL informed the group that the “Moving Forward” meetings had been postponed to 30 March 2010 to update everyone on the plans for building based Services in the Scarborough Area.</p>	
8	<p>Next Meeting: 20 April 2010 –it was agreed to send the Agenda out with the Minutes in future as a trial action. DK closed the meeting and thanked everyone for their contributions. AGENDA ATTACHED BELOW</p>	<p>DK</p>



AGENDA

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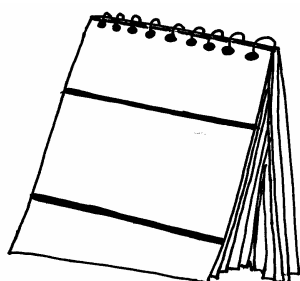
Date : Tuesday 20 April 1.30 pm – 3 pm,

Venue: Elders Street, Scarborough

Agenda items

1. Collating supported work figures.
 Additional organisations to be included
 JCP
2. Valuing People aims targets
3. Yorkshire Coast College -update invite rep
- 4 Adult Learning Service update
- 5 Moving On Event-this year and in the future

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