

Voices For All Meeting

3rd December at
Ruston's in Lincoln

32 people came
the theme was
opportunities for all.





At the meeting we gave updates on the following:

The last Partnership Board Meeting.

Marie, Chris and Kerry from VoiceAbility told everyone about The work they have done to help with the review of the Supported Living Contract.

They are making sure that people living in supported living are given a chance to speak up and say what they think.

Matthew gave information on the Volunteering and Libraries Project.

James and other members of Linkage had done some work with Healthwatch Lincolnshire and the Care Quality Commission (CQC).

Healthwatch organised a meeting at Linkage. A CQC Inspector met with 9 people who live in residential homes. Everyone said how they want to be involved when their homes are being inspected. The Inspector said she would make changes as a result of what people said.

Healthwatch will write a report and send to CQC.





John Waters lead the session on Opportunities For All.

We found out what people are good at, what made them feel great We then worked in groups with people who liked similar things.

We tested out the idea of a small sparks project.

People give ideas for different projects to set up.

We gave the money to David's Group.

John said he will use this model when thinking of new ideas for day services and ways to involve everyone.





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Talking Books



Healthy Lifestyles Working Group

We are arranging a meeting with LPFT and the CCGs to talk about the work that everyone does. We want to make sure we are all working together in the best way.

Staying Safe Working Group

Kerry has been on some training called Be Internet Citizens. This is helping people to understand and be safer online. The Working Group will lead on this work.



Feedback on Connect to support

Amy and Craig recently did some work with the Council helping to give feedback on the connect to support website.





David and Lorraine told everyone about the Sunflower lanyard scheme

This is a scheme for people with hidden disabilities, if they wear the lanyard staff at different places will know they might need extra help.

It has been adopted by many businesses nationally, e.g. Sainsburys, Tesco's, Airports.

Here in Lincolnshire some of the tourist sites are also using it.

For more information there is a link below

<https://www.hiddendisabilitiesstore.com/about-us>

Help for hidden disabilities

Ask us about the sunflower lanyard

Who can use the sunflower lanyard?

This service is particularly for customers with hidden conditions, such as autism, dementia or anxiety.

If you use the lanyard, we'll know you may like extra support with your shopping. We understand that not every customer will want to use a lanyard.

What'll happen if you use a sunflower lanyard?

- You can tell us if there's anything we can do
- We may ask what we can do to assist you
- We hope you'll find shopping easier

If you'd like a lanyard or have any questions, please ask a colleague for more information.

