



Carers And Parents of adults with learning disabilities in Enfield

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Minutes

Meeting: Monday 6th June 2022 10.00am to 12.30pm

Present: Board members: Wendy Berry (WB) Surojit (Wally) Walawalkar (SW), Jane Richards (JR), Bernadette Reigar (BR). Minute Taker: Wendy Berry

Members attended: 15.

AGENDA	
1	Welcome & Apologies
	SW and WB welcomed members and apologised that our advertised speaker, Naser Boussebha, head of Enfield’s Shared Lives Scheme, had cancelled his attendance at very short notice. Unfortunately, no substitute speaker had been provided.
2	Enfield’s Shared Lives Scheme
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wally and Wendy spoke briefly about the scheme. This is a way of providing respite and care services in the home of another family. This is similar to foster caring. ‘Shared carer’ families apply to be employed to provide these services for disabled people. The ‘shared carers’ are paid, and carefully selected and screened, with all appropriate checks being made. When a family, with a disabled family member, wishes to be considered to use this service, they will be offered a choice of ‘shared carers’, who might be suitable and willing to provide care. Over a period of time the families get to know one another, and the disabled person will be offered a slow transition, working towards staying with the ‘shared carer’ for longer periods of time. The following link gives information about this scheme: https://mylife.enfield.gov.uk/directory/providerdetails/211844 One of our members had tried to use this scheme, but had not been successful in finding an appropriate ‘shared carer’, but we do know of another member who has very successfully used this scheme for his daughter. Obviously, it will depend on the circumstances of each family, and their requirements.
3	Thinking Ahead
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We then discussed the very successful event which took place in April, and the progress which was being made. The following events had included updates on this: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Task & Finish Group – contingency Planning and overseeing D.P. set-ups



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Learning Disabilities Partnership Board – Presentation by Chris Reddin (LD Commissioner)○ Follow-up meeting with Enfield Carers Centre (ECC) to set up new carers’ meetings addressing various aspects of this issue. ECC will be starting these meetings very soon, and they will be held monthly at Park Avenue. Please look out for details of these in the ECC newsletter, which should be sent out very soon, and is also available on their website.○ Various meetings with ILDS managers, Care Management and the PCP team manager.
	Next Meeting
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The next meeting will be on 01/08/2022, at Park Avenue Disability Resource Centre, 10.00 to 12.30.● Chris Reddin, Enfield’s L.D. Commissioner, will attend to explain his role, and present on Enfield’s progress with the ‘Thinking Ahead’ project.