

# **MAYOR OF LONDON**

## **Notes from the Deaf and Disabled Stakeholders Group meeting**

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Thursday 27 November 2014, 14.00 – 17:00, City Hall, Committee Room 5

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### **Attendees**

Amanda Coyle, Assistant Director, Health and Communities (Chair)  
Huma Munshi, Senior Policy Officer, Diversity and Social Policy  
Graham Welton, British Deaf Association  
Jon Abrams, Redbridge Concern for Mental Health  
Jeremy Driver, Remploy  
Henrietta Doyle, Inclusion London  
Robin Bray Hurren, Graeae Theatre  
Maria Stella Nash, London Autistic Rights Movement  
Colin Finch, Greenwich Association of Disabled People  
Sue Elsegood, Greenwich Association of Disabled People

### **Presenters**

Natasha Plummer, Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime  
Maddy Gupta-Wright, Health Team

### **Apologies**

Bob Marsh, Royal Association of Deaf People

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1	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	
	Chair welcomed guests followed by introductions.	
2	<b>Minutes of the last meeting and any arising actions</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MOPAC online consultation on draft hate crime strategy This was sent on 14 July: <a href="https://www.london.gov.uk/priorities/policing-crime/consultations/hate-crime-reduction-strategy">https://www.london.gov.uk/priorities/policing-crime/consultations/hate-crime-reduction-strategy</a></li> <li>Royal Association for Deaf People have a reporting centre for Deaf people to report hate crime. Information sent to MOPAC</li> <li>GLA to clarify the link between the MPS and MOPAC strategy, The MPS has produced an operational strategy to drive their delivery of hate crime policing. The MOPAC strategy will set the broader strategic context and speaks to other partners beyond just the MPS.</li> <li>Link to MOPAC Hate Crime Challenge took on 13 February <a href="https://www.london.gov.uk/webcasts/35813/asx">https://www.london.gov.uk/webcasts/35813/asx</a> Link had been sent</li> <li>Link to the Growth Deal had been circulated <a href="http://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/A%20Growth%20Deal%20for%20London%20(FINAL)%2020140331.pdf">http://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/A%20Growth%20Deal%20for%20London%20(FINAL)%2020140331.pdf</a></li> <li>Huma had circulated Joyce's email address (joyce.harvie@london.gov.uk) for groups to discuss ideas on the project with learning disabled young people. <a href="mailto:joyce.harvie@london.gov.uk">joyce.harvie@london.gov.uk</a></li> </ul> <p>An ESF engagement programme to be presented to the group which would inform the development</p>	

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	<p>of the European Structural Investment Fund interventions. The following information circulated</p> <p>In the process of developing London's ESF support for people with health conditions and disabilities we have met with a range of organisations, including Inclusion London, MIND, Remploy, Shaw Trust and Public Health England, and in addition have scheduled a meeting with a representative of Mencap. The engagement process started with one to one meetings whilst we developed the broad scope of the support that might be procured, followed by a larger 'Task and Finish Group' meeting in which initial proposals were discussed with a wider range of organisations, including VCS organisations providing services to people with health conditions and disabilities, local authorities, researchers and possible ESF co-financers. We will continue our engagement with these groups as we develop programmes further. This is also likely to include detailed engagement with health services and local authorities to ensure support adds value to existing support. LVSC have also run an event with a range of VCS stakeholders and fed detailed comments to EPMU for consideration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group had been updated on the development of the Access Panel</li> </ul> <p>4. Membership</p> <p>4.1. Total membership of SAP will not exceed 10 individuals who will each have appropriate experience in the area of inclusion and access. These will include but are not limited to representatives of organisations of disabled people and relevant community groups / forums, national disability and access organisations, bodies and charities specialising in inclusion and access for disabled people.</p>	

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	<p>4.2. Members will be appointed by the GLA and the Chair following an advertised recruitment process.</p> <p>4.3. Observers may include but are not limited to:</p> <p>The GLA Development Planning and Strategic Planning Teams; The GLA's Principal Advisor on Access;</p> <p>and</p> <p>The GLA's Housing and Land Directorate and Regeneration Team.</p> <p>4.4. The membership list will be varied as appropriate by the GLA.</p>	
<b>3</b>	<b>London Health Commission recommendations and refreshing the delivery plan for the Mayor's Health Inequalities Strategy, Maddy Gupta-Wright</b>	
	<p>Maddy Gupta-Wright presented on the refresh of the delivery plan for the Mayor's Health Inequalities Strategy (presentation attached).</p> <p>The following points were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- There is already a significant amount of information on the needs of disabled people. This should be accessed.</li> <li>- There is a marked difference in income inequality between disabled and non-disabled people. This has an impact on health outcomes.</li> <li>- Child poverty should be considered as part of this process as this has a significant impact on health outcomes. AC noted that there was a separate work stream on this, in particular, looking at issues of child food poverty.</li> <li>- The needs of people with autism should be</li> </ul>	

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	<p>considered as part of this process. MGW noted that the events would have an overarching theme which provided the opportunity to look at specific issues.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- It was noted that the BSL charter should be considered in the context of making provision for the needs of disabled people.</li> <li>- The group asked whether the needs of refugee and asylum seekers would be considered during this process. AC responded that there was a specific workstream on the needs of refugee to and asylum seeks and the teams worked together when appropriate.</li> <li>- The group suggested disabled people be engaged prior to the events to ensure there is effective input. MGW agreed this would be very helpful.</li> </ul>	<p>HM to send the BSL Charter to the Health Team</p> <p>Health Team to engage with the stakeholder group in the planning of the events.</p>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Feedback from the online hate crime consultation and next steps, Natasha Plummer</b>	
	<p>Natasha Plummer explained the outcome of the online consultation on hate crime. She noted that all crimes reported by disabled people would initially be noted as hate crimes until further investigation.</p> <p>The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The group welcomed the changes to he draft that had been circulated for consultation. It was important that all disabled people were included in this such as people with invisible disabilities, including autism. Front line staff should be reminded of this.</li> <li>- It was helpful that disabled victims would have crimes reported as hate crimes, particularly as under reporting was a significant issue. Underreporting was a result of: lack of access and technology; the attitude of frontline staff; and previous negative experiences when</li> </ul>	

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	<p>reporting hate crime.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- It was important to raise awareness about hate crime and the need for reporting as part of this process. The groups noted that International Disabled People's Day was 3 December and could be a useful opportunity.</li> <li>- The BSL Charter produced by the British Deaf Association should be seen as part of the process of providing effective support for Deaf people.</li> <li>- The organisations which the MET use for third party reporting to be circulated to the group.</li> <li>- The group asked if there was funding for training frontline staff on dealing with disabled victims or supporting third party reporting? Further funding was required for capacity building of third party reporting organisations. There were gaps in provision for pan-London reporting organisations.</li> <li>- Deaf people could use Language Line to report crime.</li> <li>- A grants programme would be launched for XXXX</li> <li>- The group asked about the training programme for frontline staff. Natasha agreed to share this with the group.</li> </ul>	<p>HM to circulate BSL Charter to MOPAC</p> <p>MOPAC to send to HM to circulate to group.</p> <p>MET training plan to be circulated to the group</p>
<b>5</b>	<b>AOB</b>	
	The date of the next meeting would be in May.	