

Minute of the Executive Team Meeting

Video Conference Meeting – 10th February 2021

Present: John Scott, Colin McKay, Jill Stavert, Graham Morgan, Karen Martin

Secretariat: Kirsty McGrath, Sophie Ryder, Nicola Paterson, Sandra Macdonald

1. Review of Communication Policy

The team reviewed and updated their communication policy. This will be updated and published on the Review's website.

2. Update on Project Plan

- 6 month action plans for all Advisory Groups are to be with the Secretariat by COP on Friday 12th February.
- *Confirm new workstreams and decide how we will take these forward. Same model or different approach?*

It was agreed that the workstreams would be confirmed following the decision on the Adults with Incapacity (AWI) emergency legislation group in relation to Short Term Placement Order Certificates.

2.1 Update on Specific Actions from Project Planning Meeting for February

The team then updated the secretariat on actions from the last meeting and agreed new actions in line with the project plan.

3. Commissioning a new member for the Secretariat

It was confirmed that Simon Webster would be joining the Secretariat.

It was agreed that Simon would initially work with Capacity and SDM Advisory Group.

This would involve a piece of research on Human Rights Assessments and what this approach might look like, given that Simon has already done a lot of the ground work on this.

It was considered whether this would alter the work of the Compulsion Group. The following approach was agreed: Simon would work with the Capacity group to develop the basis of a capacity assessment and this would be considered by the Compulsion group who would look at whether it answered any questions they were looking at.

It was agreed that Simon's work would be attached to the Secretariat.

General Discussion/AOB

It was agreed that the Review would ensure diverging views by different communities were considered by gathering as much evidence as possible, attaching weight to what matters to people.

It was suggested that Practitioners and individuals need to feel that there is something in a Human Rights based model that works for them.

It was agreed that on this basis, the Review needs to make sure people are aware of the thinking behind their considerations. This will be achieved by the Practitioners and Lived Experience Reference groups and the rolling programme of engagement.

The importance of language was acknowledged in this regard. It was agreed that it is important to make the distinction between different experiences and different language.

It was agreed that there should be a glossary for the language used on the Review which should go on the website.

There had previously been discussion around the term 'mental disorder' and how this is incorporated within Capacity and Supported Decision Making.

It was suggested that this will come as a natural iteration when looking at what an assessment will look like. The group will consider whether there is still a need for this and where it now fits.

There was a discussion around how we include prisons and the rights of those incarcerated into the Review. It was acknowledged that by incorporating UNCRPD into domestic law, this would have implications on the Criminal Justice System.

It was agreed that a newsletter would be sent this month, containing the following:

- A recap of the last year
- Where we are now
- Reminder of the interim report