DPAC – Project Group Healthy Living Project (Revive) Special

Minutes of meeting held on 18 October 2004

Present

Christine Yates
Trevor Ford
Cordell Jackson
Marta Hancock
Judi Bateman
Nancy Pountain
Nic Knowles – Greater Derby PCT
Mick Reed – Project Architect
Ann Webster – DCC
Mick Watts – DCC

Apologies

Councillor Roy Webb Marion Edge Peter Maidens Pat Fletcher Sarah Fletcher

Introduction to the healthy living centre project

Revive will be an excellent example of integrated service planning and delivery. Services will be co-located within one building allowing local people to access a number of services more easily, thereby increasing and improving access to services. The reconfiguration of services to Revive will enable services to better respond to local needs, with local people being involved in the service design and delivery.

Services need to be reorganised to suit the community's needs not the service providers needs. Integrated service planning and delivery brings different functions together allowing the organisations to jointly plan and work in different ways. The main benefits the Revive Centre will offer in relation to integrating services are:

- Effective use of resources by reducing duplication, i.e. shared reception and administration.
- Improving service access by enabling local people to access a range of services under 'one roof'.
- Improving information about services through the provision of an information and advice facility
- Professionals/organisations working together to jointly identify and address local issues.

Joint working under one roof will increase new and innovative service delivery.

Planning permission had been granted for the development in July 2004. Now detailed design issues were being considered, and hence this was the opportune time to consult with disabled people and seek their views, and comments on detailed, but really important design matters.

Comments on detailed design issues

Mick commented that there were a number of detailed issues around, and within the building that did not comply with current Building Regulation, Part M guidance. Mick Reed commented that he was aware that a number of amendments to the design were required prior to submission for Building Regulation approval to ensure compliance with current best practice. **Appendix 1** lists the main comments made by group members.

What next?

Nic commented that the implications of all the issues raised by project group members would now have to be considered as part of the detailed design process. Where the points could be incorporate they would.

Members felt, and Nic agreed that a second meeting to re-visit the points raised, and consider further detailed issues may be required. Mick would arrange if, and when appropriate. Nic thanked members for their comments and feedback on this important local initiative.

Any other business

None

Date, time and place of next meeting

13 December 2004 @ 2:00pm in Meeting Room 2 @ Council House

- Disabled people's parking bays not to current best practice
- On site route required from front parking area to centre reception
- Care needed in selection of tree species as leaf fall from deciduous could be a problem for many disabled people
- All reception counters to be accessible and usable by wheelchair users, with induction loop facilities
- Disabled people's toilets not to be combined with baby change facilities
- Doors opening out into circulation routes to be avoided
- Induction loops required in a number of meeting and groupwork rooms
- Level thresholds required from all internal spaces routes to external community areas
- Installation of second lift in the "Health and Social Care" area of the building
- Covered, accessible route from centre reception to "Health and Social Care" area
- Modifications required to Male/female toilets to provide facilities for ambulant disabled users
- Number of doors on circulation routes to be reduced to the absolute minimum
- Childcare facilitites, and equipment for disabled children required
- Changing facilities required in all childcare areas irrespective of child age range
- Means of escape, and refuge issues to be considered
- Accessible shower and changing facility required
- Toilets for disabled people required wherever there are toilets for non-disabled people
- Access for wheelchair users required to all balcony areas, and greenhouse
- Lighting levels, acoustics and colour scheme to be considered carefully
- A signage strategy to be drafted, and considered