



EASTERN REGION BRAIN INJURY FORUM

ERBIF STEERING GROUP MINUTES

of meeting on Thursday 21 January 2010

At Taylor Vinters, Cambridge

Attendees: Andrew Bateman (AB), Gill White (GW) and Emma Truin (EJT).

1 Apologies

William Challis and Angela Beric.

2 Matters arising

- 2.1 AB will be speaking to the London Acquired Brain Injury Forum on Monday, hosted by Irwin Mitchell. He has been asked to speak about the Oliver Zangwill Centre but would also use the opportunity to talk about ERBIF and find out what projects the London Forum were currently working on. He will report back at the next ERBIF meeting. **AB**
- 2.2 The Steering Group would like to approach Andrew Gardner, chief executive of Headway Cambridgeshire, to see if he will consider becoming a member of the Steering Group. AG has many contacts which will be helpful to the Group in identifying interesting and relevant speakers to present at the ERBIF meetings. **EJT**
- 2.3 There was a general discussion about Ronachan Films who have been commissioned by Channel 4 to make a Cutting Edge documentary following the experiences of a young person as they readjust to life after a traumatic brain injury. AB spent some considerable time speaking to Clare Cameron at Ronachan Films to provide her with insight in relation to brain injury. He has also identified three clients for them to speak to and film. There appeared to be quite strict criteria into what they were looking for. AB said that a future

project for ERBIF might be to consider applying for a grant to get a production company to make a film about acquired brain injury. **AB**

3 Terms of Reference

- 3.1 The amended Terms of Reference were approved by the Steering Group. These will now be emailed to members and put on the ERBIF website. **EJT**

4 Certificates of Attendance

- 4.1 These have been prepared for the last meeting and will be made available to members at the February meeting. **EJT**

5 Future ERBIF meetings.

- 5.1 Sandra Moore, Head of Adults Long Term Care Conditions and Integrated Care Commissioning for NHS Cambridgeshire will be attending the February meeting. She has provided the Steering Group members with a copy of her presentation in advance. Members will be asked to forward any questions they have in advance of the meeting. **EJT**
- 5.2 The Steering Group meetings would take place before the main ERBIF meetings at 12.30pm.
- 5.3 The future meetings were agreed between the Steering Group members. If Andrew Gardner was willing to become a member of the Steering Group, these dates will be checked with him before being emailed to the ERBIF members. **EJT**
- 5.4 Andrew Gardner will be asked to speak at the June meeting to give an update on Headway's work and discuss the new definition of outcomes from the Care Quality Commission. **EJT**
- 5.5 AB recommended that we approach Pauline Milne from the SHA to talk about personal health plans. It would be helpful if we could have somebody representing both health and social services. It was agreed that Pauline Milne will be asked if she could recommend a speaker from social services who might be able to join her, if she is willing to speak to the group. Attempts will be made to secure her for the October meeting. GW talked about difficulties in Essex relating to personal health plans. It was agreed that it would make for a lively debate if GW could provide a speaker from Essex who is dissatisfied with the process. **EJT/GW**
- 5.6 AB suggested Judith Allanson, the Evelyn Consultant for Rehabilitation to talk to the group in 2011 about what has happened during her first year. **AB**
- 5.7 It was important to stress to members the start time for the ERBIF meetings. This would be emailed to members with the flyer. **EJT**
- 5.8 The flyer also needs to include a sentence to confirm that the meetings are open to all and if anyone has a disability to let us know in advance so that we could accommodate their needs. **EJT**

6 **Website update**

GW was chair of the Essex ABIF. She queried whether a webpage could be set up for all ABIF through the ERBIF website. The chair of ABIF to then be given editorial rights. James Powell, who maintains the ERBIF website would be asked about this. **EJT**

7 **AOB**

ERBIF members to be asked to forward the flyers for the meetings to any commissioners they know who might then attend meetings. **EJT**

8 **Next meeting**

24.02.10 12.30 to 4.30 pm at Taylor Vinters offices.