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to deliver better housing and support

9.45am-4.30pm Thursday 22nd November 2012, Manchester Conference Centre

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AGENDA

9.00am Registration

9.45am Chairs Address- Ian Birrell, Columnist & Campaigner

9.50am Working Together to bring about change: A focus on building communities. A look at the Spartacus campaign in the context of housing, home and communities, particularly for people with learning disabilities. **Kaliya Franklin, Disability Rights Activist & Founder & Director of The Broken of Britain.**

10.10am Working Together: Analysis of the findings from the 150 inspections of learning disability services after Winterbourne View. **Alan Rosenbach, Special Policy Lead in Regulatory Development, Care Quality Commission.**

10.30am The role of housing providers in developing good communities: An overview on how welfare reform impacts on housing and the new health and social care landscape in relation to housing **Kevin Williamson- Head of Communities & Wellbeing, National Housing Federation**

10.50am Question Time Panel: Has supported living for people with learning disabilities become harder to achieve under the Coalition?

Panel members:

Kaliya Franklin, Disability Rights Activist & Founder & Director of The Broken of Britain

Alan Rosenbach, Special Policy Lead at the Care Quality Commission

Kevin Williamson, Head of Communities & Wellbeing, National Housing Federation

Dr Simon Duffy, Director of The Centre for Welfare Reform

Simon Cramp, self advocate & Fellow of The Centre for Welfare Reform & co-founder of Self Direct

11.30am break

11.45am Workshop 1

12.45 pm lunch

2.00pm Bringing housing and social care together: A look at where Labour sees the future of housing and care **Liz Kendall MP, Shadow Minister for Care and Older People**

2.20pm Developing a 21st Century Vision: exploring the lessons of our history and outline the case for a stronger and more dynamic vision for the future. We need to abandon thinking that is dominated by service models; instead it's time to take seriously active citizenship, family life and inclusive communities. **Dr Simon Duffy, Centre for Welfare Reform**

2.40pm Supporting Lives: focussing on what is important to people **Sally Warren- Managing Director, Paradigm**

3.00pm break

3.15pm Workshop 2

4.15 A Positive Future: A film featuring conference delegates and speakers saying what they want the future to look like in housing and support for people with learning disabilities

4.30pm end

WORKSHOPS 11.45am & 3.15pm

Personal Health Budgets and Transition: Moving toward a Local Future with Housing and Support. This workshop will examine the issues facing a young person leaving school with a personal health budget.

Linnet McIntyre, PeopleHub & Housing & Support Alliance

Social Care Reform: What social care reform means for people with learning disabilities. **Campaign for a Fair Society, Rosemary Trustam, Community Living & Sue Livett, Aldingbourne Trust**

Individual Service Funds in Action: London Borough of Southwark & Choice Support share their experience of a partnership project to de-register 18 care homes set up 83 Individual Service Funds, **Chris Dorey, Commissioning Manager, LB Southwark & Sarah Maguire, Development Director, Choice Support**

Experts by Experience: Experts by Experience are carers and people with learning disabilities who have worked with the CQC on the learning disability inspection programme. They will share their experience of how they led the way in defining good quality. **Kim Arnold, Laura Broughton & Eveline Small, Choice Support and Experts by Experience.**

Ensuring Ordinary Lives for All: Connecting people, ideas and action

Good support is essential in ensuring ordinary lives for people with learning disabilities. There is no onetime, quick fix. Creating meaningful lives requires a significant commitment if we are to fully embrace human potential. In this workshop Nan and Sally will explore prevailing and preferred practices in terms of good support. The group will consider what action toward preferred practices could be taken that would best ensure ordinary and good lives for us all. Active roles will be considered for people supported, their families, paid staff and members of the community. Moving toward ordinary lives is a job for us all. **Sally Warren and Nan Carle.**

Having Real Choice About Housing and Support: A Community Led Solution.

This workshop explores a grassroots approach to helping people with learning disabilities get and keep housing using a membership model that draws on the skills and expertise of a range of community members. The workshop includes first-hand experience of what it is like to be a member of the Community Housing Network, and a focus on their Housing Training and Teaching Programmes. **Marion Turner and Ashley Tansley: Northamptonshire Community Housing Network.**

Welfare Reform- how it impacts on people with learning disabilities:

This workshop will focus on the current and forthcoming changes to the benefit system which can pose difficulties to people with learning disabilities. The main

topics will be: Employment & Support Allowance and assessments; housing costs; moving to Personal Independence Payments and Universal Credit. Delegates will be welcome to share their problems and successes. **Andrew Young, Housing & Support Alliance**

Assistive Technology in Supported Living: This workshop will look at how assistive technology is being used to give people with learning disabilities more independence, privacy and dignity in their own homes. It will include what is available, consider issues of personalisation, Telecare and Telehealth. **Claire Hall, Housing & Support Alliance.**

The new housing landscape for people with learning disabilities: This session will focus on where the housing opportunities now and how we can help people with learning disabilities get their own homes despite the gloomy outlook in the housing and social care sector. **Steve Harris, Housing & Support Alliance**