



Minutes Taken by: Samim Vali

Attendees:

Jean Haslam- St George's Centre; Suzanne Brooks – Ambition for Ageing Equalities; Rashida Jusab- MHIST; Gill Hewitt- St Stephen & All Martyrs Church; Chich Hewitt- Renshaw's; Ila Shah- Sevadal of Bolton, Suresh Jariwala – Sevadal of Bolton, Marie Oxtoby- Bolton Neuro Voices, Ehiman Tailor-Bolton Hindu Forum, Sheila Tracey, Laura Wilmers- Age UK Bolton, Charlotte - Woodland Trust, Ben Reed, Nick Russell- Halliwell Organic Food Grower, Michelle Del Rosso, Samim Vali –Bolton CVS

Apologies: Tina Wood, Steve Sherry, Shabeen Rahman, Cathy Waiton, Victoria Brown

Agenda Point 1 – Action from last meeting

Michelle introduced herself and welcomed everyone to the meeting.
Previous minutes were agreed as an accurate record and apologies were noted.

Actions:

Agenda Point 2 – “You said we did” update

Nicola introduced herself and her role as Associate Director of Communications and Engagement, Bolton CCG. Nicola informed members Bolton CCG's Engagement team are currently recruiting for an Engagement Specialist and have invested in a new Equality and Diversity role. Nicola also updated on CCG's improved Engagement and Communications rating

Update on A & E:

In June, Royal Bolton Hospital's emergency department saw 472 people needing emergency help and treatment – more than staff have ever seen before in a single day, some of which were in genuine need of emergency treatment but a

Actions:
Nicola encouraged members to share information about extended hours GP appointments across their networks.

proportion of people could have been treated by community health services. This prompted some engagement with people presenting at A&E to ask:

- Why they came to A&E?
- Did they consider any alternative service? Yes, or No.

From the engagement 87 people said they felt they were at the right place.

There was a discussion about extended GP appointments service, some people were not aware of the evening and weekend appointments service available through their GP and encouraged members to ask for them when booking an appointment. Nicola highlighted issues with people booking evening and weekend appointments but not turning up, Nicola emphasized the cost of missed GP appointments.

Agenda Point 3 – Bolton’s Sport and Physical Activity Pilot

Michelle informed members about the Sports and Physical Activity pilot

Greater Manchester was recently selected as one of 12 Local Delivery Pilots by Sport England. This piece of insight engagement seeks to gather information regarding barriers to good physical health, looking specifically at issues and behaviours that contribute to physical inactivity within specific neighbourhoods and target groups.

Michelle facilitated a table top exercise encouraging members to share their views and experiences of accessing sports and physical activities:

- What do you perceive physical activity to be?
- What are the barriers for your communities to engage in physical activity?

Michelle to embed feedback from table top activity to main body of Sports and Physical Activity Report.

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Agenda Point 4 – Any other business	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Jane from Bolton CVS reminded people about the Standing Together and Health and Wellbeing Investment opportunities which were due to close shortly and emphasized there is still time to apply. Jane provided information guidelines and application forms for the investments and offered support to groups who might be interested in applying (now closed): ➤ Michelle encouraged members to be involved in planning future agenda items and asked for suggestions or gaps in knowledge that would be useful in their role ➤ Working Together to Stay Well in Winter event on Monday 30th September 12:30 -15.00 pm at the Bolton Hub ➤ Answer Cancer Fund 19/20: Investments of £1000/£2000 are available to VCSE & faith organisations to recruit Cancer Champions & help boost cancer screening rates in underrepresented communities. 	<p>Michelle encouraged members to contact Michelle via email with any suggestions for future E-Tag meetings</p> <p>michelle@boltoncvs.org.uk</p>

Next ETAG meeting date: **Tuesday 12th November 12:30-2:30 pm**