



Meeting held on 17 October 2024 on Teams

Introduction

Handicalendar - Is an app that can be operated from a dashboard on the computer by yourself, a parent, carer, or support worker. (It is not available on a mainstream smart device). This helps organise and break down tasks. It can be personalised to your own needs. It is quiet to your own needs. BT/TT1

to use Brain in Hand but it was too expensive. People wanted to understand the eligibility for funding for apps. Some of these apps could be a preventative approach, helping people who are not eligible for Adult Social Care to stay independent. Tom said it would be really helpful if the TECH Team could put together a directory of useful apps – this could be useful for people whether or not they are eligible for Adult Social Care

Mikaela shared that the TECH Team is working on a preventative strategy hoping to fund some equipment for people who are not eligible under the Care Act. In a recent mental health pilot, 44 users accessed the app, with none requiring long-term face-to-face support. Many users wanted to keep using the app and found it helpful without in-person services. The Council is exploring other options beyond Brain in Hand, which is costly. Mikaela and Helen want input on what people need most, why they find Brain in Hand appealing, and what outcomes they hope to achieve, to see whether different apps might be able to give similar outcomes.

Camilla said compared to the apps that we all deal with on a day-to-day basis, the ones we discussed look basic. She said the design could be improved so people would want to use them. Camilla wanted to know how the face-to-face interaction works, and how apps are personalised for people to use.

Mikaela said occupational therapists can set up some of these apps. For example, an occupational therapist may set up Handicalendar with someone, then a support worker can help that person use it day to day. However, an app such as Brain in Hand requires a coach to be involved ongoing.

Amanda said she was not sure about the name 'TECH' for the project. "Technology Enabled Care in Homes" but the apps we have discussed are intended for use outside the home as well. She suggested considering a name change.

Mikaela explained that the government named it "Technology Enabled Care," while the project manager added "Homes" to suggest its use at home, in the community, and in care homes. They w p(o)6 (m)edsle gjeommrbp-3 (v)10 (e)-3 (d)-5 (iscuss)8e)

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<p>David said he was presenting about the Workwise Programme. Employability is one of the partners delivering Workwise, but they also deliver Supported Employment for people who are open to Adult Social Care. If someone needs support with employment, it is probably best to refer to Surrey Choices, who will help decide whether WorkWise or one of the other programmes is better for that person.</p> <p>Emma shared that Job Centres are working closely with Get Set to expand employment options, now including people from Northeast Hampshire. This support helps individuals seeking to increase their work hours or expand their job opportunities. Get Set employment coaches regularly visit Job Centres, so those interested can arrange a meeting or sign up through their local Job Centre or a disability employment advisor, especially if they're in a work-related group or on Universal Credit.</p> <p>Camilla asked in the chat about the minimum age to join the Workwise Programme - Tom said 16 was the minimum age</p>	
<p><u>Any Other Business</u></p> <p>Tom said at the Surrey Autism Strategy has been going for 3 years. They will be putting out a document to share what has been achieved so far and what we are aiming to work on for the last two years of the strategy. Once it is ready to share, we would like everyone's comments and thoughts about what we should be focusing on next.</p> <p>Emma from Job Centre shared that there is an employment fair on Thursday, November 7, from 9:30 am to noon at the Camberley Centre, open to everyone.</p> <p>Camberley Jobcentre, Surrey Heath House, Knoll Road, Camberley GU15 3HH.</p> <p>You can make an appointment or just turn up on the day. We also have Social Prescribing, Talking Therapies and some inclusive local employers.</p>	
<p><u>Summary of Actions:</u></p> <p>Nanu to share finalised details of the project once signed off. Narmadha to chase Nanu up about the start date for the Suicide Prevention Project.</p>	<p>NK</p>
<p><u>Next Meeting:</u></p> <p>Our next meeting is Thursday 23 January from 10am-12pm</p>	

