



Plymouth City Council  
Health and Adult Social Care Overview  
& Scrutiny Committee  
Meeting 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010

**Plymouth LINK Progress Report**  
**March 2010**  
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# Plymouth LINK - Update



## PCT

- GP's – communication of services, accessibility, Annual Health Check for learning disabilities, referral of carers to support ( meeting Director of primary care, informing contract review).
- Dentists – access to NHS dentists (meeting dental lead to discuss provision and improvements).

## PHT

- Broker relationship with care homes to improve patient discharge.
- Improving treatment of people with learning disabilities, ( informing hospital action plans, creating new carers policy, accessible information).
- Visits to monitor Serco contract, and assess Plymouth as a Burns Centre.

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## **ASC**

- First Contact centre – LINK feedback has prompted review of access to social services.
- Direct Payments – improving service through involvement in new working with group
- Carers Strategy – input and raising issues re support for carers.
- Care Homes – consultation and feedback so far and work with commissioners.

## **Consultations:**

- Gynaecological cancer centre plans
- CQC Annual Health Check

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## **Future Activity**

- Provider briefings on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2010 (10 – 12 or 2 – 4). Info on LINK, visiting powers, achievements.
- Joint visit to Heartswell to check out the facilities.
- LINK second AGM on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July at Copthorne Hotel, 6-8pm
- LINK annual celebration on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> July, Piazza
- Location 'Health Question Time' hosted by the LINK
- City Centre Health day sponsored by the LINK supported by NHS Plymouth