STEPs Client Consultation 12.10.10

Questions

Q.1 Why are Arts and Leisure involved in a social care EIT?

The EIT review/process was too big so the workload was shared; Sean McEneany offered information and guidance to the process.

Q.2 Can you explain how this service has a capacity of 25 people per day?

When Tithebarn was initially developed it was envisaged that most people would be attending on a session basis while others were out during the day attending courses, Voluntary work or Employment therefore the building would not be required to accommodate a full attendance of 25.

Q.3 Is there anyone prepared to leave Tithebarn as a day care centre?

Gave explanation of current government cuts and value for money with public monies

Tithebarn is a duplication of other services that have spaces available

Q.4 Why were bad decisions made when Tithebarn was developed?

New ideas were tried and didn't work. Despite the best plan we can't always get it right but it was still worth a try

Q.5 Why are you taking this service away and closing?

Not taking away the service provision, people will be moving to appropriate services that meet their needs. The only difference will be that services are delivered in a different way or in a different location

Q.6 What is happening to the staff team?

They have their own individual options and their own judgements to make. Not appropriate to discuss the staff options in this forum but we are working closely with them. They are a good team and we want to preserve their skills.

Q.7 What are the options for people to travel to new provision?

People will be assessed for travel, and appropriate means will be provided where there is assessed need.

Q.8 Why do you want the Tithebarn building?

There have been no decisions made about any future use of the building.

Q.9 What is the capacity of the Halcyon Centre?

The capacity is undetermined but it was initially a primary school with 120 children and although they were smaller people we do not anticipate anything like that number. There are currently 60 - 70 clients moving across. There are many more on the register but not all attend 5 days per week.

Q.10 Can people attend Halcyon 5 days per week?

Yes if that is their assessed need.

Q.11 How many vacant places at Halcyon?

There is no question about adequate capacity at Halcyon.

Q.12 Why can't Tithebarn just be moved all clients and staff into Halcyon?

We have been approached by some people who would like to do things differently and would like to provide the opportunity for this. Where friendship groups express a wish to attend Halcyon together we will try to accommodate their wish.

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