Making it Real Board Update to ASH 19 November 2024

What	Making It Real Board (MIRB) is a user led group made up of people with Lived Experience who are accessing, support people who are accessing or may benefit from services delivered by Adults and Health.
Why	The MIRB is a strategic group, with a clear term of reference to collaborate directly with senior colleagues on work the council plans to do, are currently doing and contribute towards future services. MIRB is about co-production not engagement.
Who	The MIRB has a core membership of people with lived experience, supported by council officers from the Commissioning team and senior staff from Adult Social Care. As the MIRB has evolved over the past 9 months, there has been some movement in membership with people with lived experience. Further work will need to be progressed to expand the pool of people who would like to engage in this process from across the population to ensure positive representation.
How	MIRB meets monthly and, where necessary, they have established task and finish groups to work on areas of interest.
Where	MIRB have recently completed the development of the Council's first Local Account, which will be published if there is agreement at Cabinet on 14 November. For 2025/26 the MIRB will be working with partners to review and refresh the Adult Strategy (2025 -29).