**NATIONAL SELF-DIRECTED SUPPORT COLLABORATION**

**NOTE OF MEETING – 6 MARCH 2024**

**In attendance by video conference:**

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| Pauline Lunn (In Control Scotland) (chair) | Kayleigh Hirst (SDS Scotland) | Rachel Bell (Scottish Government) |
| Mark Han-Johnston (SDS Scotland) | Lyn Pornaro (Disability Equality Scotland) | Alastair Minty (In Control Scotland) |
| Brett Rogers (In Control Scotland) | Cheryl Taylor (SDS Practice Network) | Les Watson (Personal Assistants Network) |
| Karen Procek (In Control Scotland) | Rachel Mason (24/7 Grid) | Sara Hampson (Scottish Government) |
| Becs Barker (Community Contacts) | Ashley Drennan (Inspiring Scotland) | Joanne McGee (Glasgow Centre for Inclusive Living) |
| Robert While (Independent Living Fund) | Lewis Shaw (Alliance Scotland) | Carol Brown (Community Brokerage Network) |
| Gordon Dodds (Scottish Government) | Hannah McShane (Scottish Government) | Sharon McLeod (Ayrshire Independent Living Network) |
| Toria Fraser (Scottish Government) | Olivia Mann (CCPS) | Laura Finnan Cowan (Social Work Scotland) |
| Donna Murray (Social Work Scotland) | Jane Kellock (Social Work Scotland) | Calum Carlyle (Social Work Scotland) |

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| **Welcome and Matters Arising** | **Actions** |
| Pauline Lunn welcomed the group and explained she was chairing in Donald’s place as he was unwell.  Apologies were noted from: Donald Macleod, Susan Kelso, Leila Talmadge, Frank Reilly, Elspeth Critchley, Martin Kettle, Iain Ramsay, Wendy Brooks, Violet Keenan, Laura Hendry, Edward Inglis, James Carle, Lucy Devlin, Morag Duncan.  The previous meeting minutes were approved by assent.  No matters arising. |  |

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| **National Transitions Strategy presentation** | **Actions** |
| Rachel Bell and Sarah Hampson from the Scottish Government team leading on the National Transitions to Adulthood Strategy presented on the development of the strategy so far and next steps:    (Double click to open the presentation)  The SG team have been working with an external strategic working group to get to grips with the complex policy landscape around Transitions. Minutes of working group meetings are available online: <https://www.gov.scot/groups/disabled-young-people-national-transitions-to-adulthood-strategy-strategic-working-group/>  A literature review was published in February 2024 outlining the common challenges disabled young people in transitioning to adulthood: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/literature-review-transitions-adulthood-disabled-young-people/>  There has also been a framework developed to support implementation of principles of good transitions, and the Compass tool to support families through Transitions: <https://www.pn2p.scot/the-principles/>  The team have published a [Statement of Intent](https://www.gov.scot/publications/statement-intent/) for the strategy.  The priorities for the next steps in developing the strategy are:   * Engagement to focus on amplifying strengths and finding solutions * Focusing on changes and improvements at a local level * Engaging with more young people, parent carers and family members.   Discussion focused on:   * The age range of young people being consulted and the need to include younger people before they reach the transition phase * The tension between aspirations of young people and challenges in adult services and differences in eligibility criteria * The information families get around setting up guardianship orders during transition. | National SDS Collaboration members were invited to contact the team to bring ideas and solutions to the table based on what we know works well for disabled young people: [DCYPtransitions@gov.scot](mailto:DCYPtransitions@gov.scot) |

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| **Statement of Intent** | **Actions** |
| The meeting then split into breakout rooms for discussion around a Statement of Intent for the National SDS Collaboration.  It was agreed that feedback from these sessions would be collated and shared with members at the next meeting to inform next steps. | Share feedback at next meeting of NSDSC |

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| **Date of next meeting** | **Actions** |
| Wednesday 3rd April, 1 – 3pm  Please note this meeting was cancelled, next meeting scheduled for:  Wednesday 1st May, 1 – 3pm |  |