Planning Team meeting Notes – June 20 th 2013			
Agenda	Discussion	Actions	
Welcome	Maureen, (Chair), David, Andrea, Carol (notes) Karl, Ron, Alex, Anthony		
Apologies	Henrietta, Sandra, John, Gill, Akira	-	
Dalston Festival	Dalston festival starts July 13 th for a week. Do we want to run a stall on the day? General leaflet needed to raise awareness of DBU. Members needed to man the stall Alex and Maureen have said that they will work on the stall.	Things needed on the day: Prod John to get DBU leaflet ready Registration form, DBU Archive Newsletters, leaflet etc Carol to book stall for event – find out details about stall	
September Forum/December Forum	Confirmed speaker for September Forum Guy Nicholson. Guy Nicholson is responsible for & strategic regeneration, however questions on employment and access issues should be put to him prior to meeting to allow he to prepare. Members are concerned about the high rate of unemployed disabled people in Hackney and want to know: where are the jobs for young disabled people in Hackney Health Watch to be invited to come and talk to members in September, chair or whoever is available: (Emma Craig, Diane Barham or Liz Hughes) Carol informed that OT is not available for evening meeting owing to commitments, but could invite	Carol to contact potential speakers for September/December Health Watch & Vince Stop Carol to feed to Guy our interest for employment opportunities for disabled people	

him again in December or to an Open meeting Disabled access to shops is a concern to DBU members who want to know who makes decisions about access to shops. Do shop owners design their own access? David informed members that Cllr Vince Stops is Chair of planning committee – responsible for planning application. Members agreed that we should invite Vince to come to talk to members about planning application Planning Team meeting takes place July 25th. This July Planning Team Send text/email to members to (Open Meeting) meeting is a strategic move towards DBU & its update and remind about Open Meeting – July 25th future. Members present agreed that DBU needs to find a way to keep the group going and wants to have input from all members of DBU. Points to bear in mind: Where did DBU come from • Where are we going • The importance of giving disabled people a voice How are you going to encourage old members to come back User and carer David informed members about User and carer involvement involvement reference group which is a primary reference group connected to adult social care led by health watch

which is a welcomed development Hackney Council formalising and constituting service user consultation.

Under the health watch initiative which has been discussed with health and social care forum and various people they have put together a framework documents which has gone through several iterations and the present version signed off by the council.

OPRG has put forward representative as well as a variety of other groups and DBU should also put a representative forward.

It is important that DBU have a presence as it will be a common service user group representing service user interest particular with relevance to adult social care.

Maureen welcomed the idea and expressed an interest to represent DBU. Karl nominated Maureen which was seconded by Alex.

Reports Last Forum Last Forum meeting went very well – good attendance a total of 35 members in the morning and 25 members in the afternoon. The Direct Payments Forum focussed on the Adult Social Care assessment. The event was particularly successful as we had a good attendance from the management team of adult social care who were senior representatives and took up each issue and treated them seriously.

A.O.B • Marketing and publicity	Alex & Anthony happy to help to distribute leaflet, newsletters to libraries, GP surgeries etc	
Financial sustainability	DBU members must decide whether they want Age UK Hackney to apply for funds from Main Grants by September 26 th – a decision will be made by December If we are not successful – it will mean the end of Age UK Hackney hosting and will therefore mean that an application will be made to the LBH small grants scheme in January 2014	Maureen to send email to members to query interest to set up Funding Focus group Send email and text to members informing of Open meeting
	Suggestion to set up a Funding Focus group agreed between members present. In the mean time members can do some research and feedback to group at next meeting July 25 th	Carol to send March & May Newsletter and Scheduled meetings to Andrew
 Website update DBU 2013/2014 Scheduled Dates 	Website needs updating Send meeting dates to members Bring Andrea's points back to agenda at Open meeting	Send meeting dates to members Karl to share calendar idea with members
Date of Next Meeting	Maureen to facilitate Open Meeting Thursday 25 th	

