



WIGAN BOROUGH

Maternity Voices

Working in partnership to improve maternity services

# Maternity Voices Partnership

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You Said, We Listened

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<p><b>It is important to have information available to partners and where to go if they are struggling or need support with anything.</b></p>	<p>Currently Dad's are not supplied with information leaflets from the community midwife at the time of booking but are sign posted to Dad Matters, where further information and a DadPad can be accessed online. We are still exploring the concept of a specific pack that can be issued to partners.</p>
<p><b>Could there be earlier conversations with partner around labour process and skin to skin contact to help ease anxiety around this?</b></p>	<p>Discussions around the importance of skin to skin for both mum and dad are discussed at several antenatal appointments. We are looking at the producing a leaflet just for dad's which will be included within the "Dad pack"</p>
<p><b>It would be a good idea to engage with partners at 20 week scan appointments.</b></p>	<p>Dad Matters plan to have volunteer led peer support engaging with partners at these appointments with information leaflets available, which Wigan CCG will look to get involved in.</p>
<p><b>Will there be adoptions made at Wigan Maternity to accommodate partners more? (partner needed to go to another floor to access toilets).</b></p>	<p>We are currently looking at options to have toilet facilities for partners within the maternity ward</p>

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<b>Is it possible to increase amount of visitors at one time on the maternity ward?</b>	Unfortunately this is not an option due to health and safety and not having enough space around each bed. We do currently allow 4 people around one bed at anytime
<b>Could there be more information available for partners post natal?</b>	Access Dad Matters Facebook @DadMattersUK to see more groups and conversations involving Partners.



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# Thank you for your feedback!

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