

# KCC Cabinet Presentation 24th March 2014



# Health Services

People with learning disabilities do not get equal access to health services!

Daniel Hewitt

How will you make sure we have annual health checks and equal access to health services?

One thing we've done to help is put together optician packs to help opticians work with people who have a learning disability.



# Employment

KCC and Kent employers do not employ enough people with learning disabilities!

Steve Chapman

How will you help us find employment?

One thing we've done to help is make links with the Jobcentre to train staff on how they can improve their services for people with a learning disability.



Paul Carter CBE - Leader and Cabinet Member for Business Strategy, Audit & Transformation  
Bryan Sweetland - Cabinet Member for Commercial & Traded Services

# Housing

People with learning disabilities do not want to live in residential homes. They want to have other choices such as supported living.

How will you help make sure that we can have our own home?

One thing we've done to help is put together an Easy Read 'Move On Toolkit'.

Tina Walker



# Keeping Safe

People with learning disabilities  
want to be safe in the  
community

How will you make sure we are not  
abused, bullied or suffer  
Hate Crime?

One thing that has already been done is the  
shop safe/stay safe key fob scheme  
launched in Dartford, Gravesham and soon  
Bluewater. We would like to see this  
adopted across Kent so there is somewhere  
safe to go if we find ourselves in trouble.

Sam Holman



# Transport

People with a learning disability are not able to use their transport passes before 9.30 am in Kent

Chris Perry

How will you help us travel without restriction whilst trying to find employment, gain work experience or training?

One thing we've done is put together the easy read guide on transport.



# Transition

People with learning disabilities do not get equal opportunities to enable them to develop skills for their future life - such as Work Experience, College and Life Skills!

Danny Morgan  
and Shaun Small

How will you make sure we have equal access to support and opportunities?

One thing we've done is to highlight these areas in our Becoming an Adult booklet to encourage young people with a learning disability to think about and ask for support.



# Safeguarding

People with learning disabilities want to live a life free from abuse.

Penny Southern

How will you make sure we do not have a Winterbourne in Kent?

We asked for an easy read booklet about abuse called 'Abuse and what to do about it' so that we know what we can do to protect ourselves from abuse.





# Finance

People with learning disabilities are worried that the funding needed for the work they do won't be seen as a priority

How will you make sure that KCC continues to support the good work of the Learning Disability Partnership

One thing we have done is try to lower our cost by finding cheaper or free meeting rooms and meeting less often

Tina Walker



# Voting

Linda Bailey

Lots of people with learning disabilities don't vote in elections.

One thing we've done is support people to learn about voting through the 'Getting on Board' course. We will also be working with Mencap on the "Me and My Vote" project to make sure people with learning disabilities register to vote.

What will you do to make it easier for people with learning disabilities to vote?



# The end

Recommendations

Thank you for listening and any questions

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