



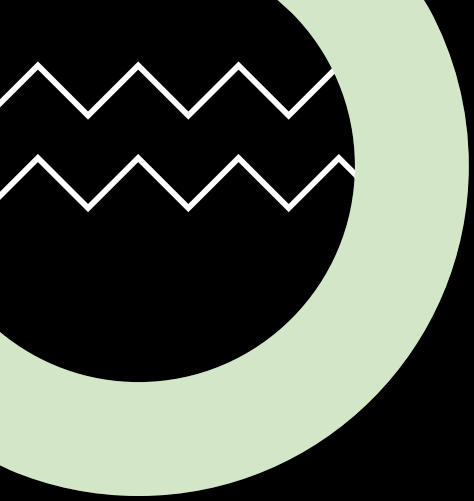
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Priorities from the Learning Disabilities Conference – 1 Year On

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What did people say?

At the Conference in June 2022, people were asked what 3 actions should Cheshire East look at over the next year, to help people with learning disabilities live better lives





What have we done to try and make things better?

- The LD Partnership Board set up a group including people who use services, carers, social care staff and health staff
- We had to decide:
- **How can we make these things happen?**
 - **What are the tasks we need to do?**
 - **Who do we need to work with?**
 - **How will we know if we are doing better?**



Action 1 - Make things better for people to stay up late


STAY UP
LATE

What did we want to do?

- Recruit Stay up Late ambassadors across the borough
- Make sure flexible support is written into future care contracts
- Provide more evening events in Cheshire East for people to attend

What have we done so far?

- We have engaged with over 55 care providers, with 85% of providers saying that there should be more focus on Stay up Late opportunities being included future joint care contracts
- We are setting up a pilot project to look at how we can help more people stay up late and if successful roll this out wider
- Stay up Late events have increased and we now will list on the partnership board website for people to see



Action 2 – Give people more chance to have their say on services and what they want to do



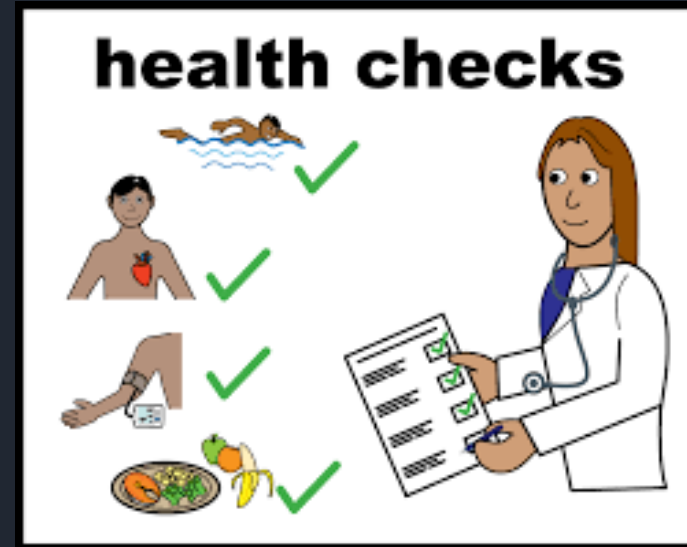
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- Get more people with learning disabilities to attend partnership board meetings
- Involve people with learning disabilities more in future service planning

What have we done so far?

- We have set up a self-advocates group which meets every 3 months in the evening face to face
- A self-evaluation of learning disability services in Cheshire East is taking place which people and carers have been involved in
- Self-Advocate Tom is co-chair of the partnership board and has been supported to write a report on how to make supported living and staying up late better in Cheshire East
- A new learning disabilities plan has been co-produced with people who use services and carers, including an easy read version

Action 3 – Provide better information about services for people with learning disabilities and carers



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What did we want to do?

- Improve the learning disabilities partnership website
- Provide better information and access to health services for people with learning disabilities and carers

What have we done so far?

- Learning Disabilities Partnership Board Website is now part of Live Well Cheshire East to provide greater profile and awareness
- We have set up a Health Subgroup to support people with learning disabilities
- The group has promoted Annual Health Checks for people with learning disabilities and in Cheshire East we achieved 94.2% in 22/23 (national target 75%)

Questions?