

Agenda Item 5: Learning Disability Strategy



“We are determined to do everything we can for all people with a learning disability in Telford and Wrekin to live well and confidently enjoy a full life as independently as possible.

“Over the past year, despite the pandemic, we have put together a draft four-year learning disability strategy, through extensive engagement and co-production with people with lived experience, parents, carers, family members and those who work with or support people with a learning disability.

“These voices have been integral to developing future actions which will benefit every single person with a learning disability in our borough and make their lives and those of people who care for them easier. I would like to thank everyone who got involved and shared their views.

“Following a consultation on the draft strategy, we are pleased to hear that the majority of people are supportive of the areas of improvement outlined.

- Getting out and about in our borough
- Having the right support in place and
- Accessing respite

are the key areas identified as being those most important ones for people with a learning disability. We will be focusing on these together with our partners.

“We also know that when people with a learning disability have access to the right support and digital developments, then greater independence, increased levels of employment and improvements in their health and wellbeing can be achieved – and these are our main aims for the next four years.”

Councillor Andy Burford, Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care