








# Bradford Co-Production Partnership – update 5 easyread edition

Welcome to the update from the Bradford Co-Production Partnership.


## Co-Production Working Groups



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|          | <p>The Co-Production Partnership has set up four working groups. There are to allow disabled people and people who work at the council to join together to make things better for disabled people.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <br><br> | <p>There are four working groups. These are looking at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access to Services</li> <li>• Accessible Information</li> <li>• Day Services</li> <li>• Independence and choice.</li> </ul> <p>There were the areas that disabled people said were the most important things for the Co-Production Partnership to look at first.</p>                                                                                                                                           |
| <br><br> | <p>The different organisations used by disabled people in the Bradford District were invited to send a representative to the working groups.</p> <p>We hoped that we would get people from between five and ten different organisations.</p> <p>This would be a good number of people to allow everyone to have their say and get involved.</p> <p>However, there haven't been very many disabled people coming to the meeting. We will look at how to make these work better at the Partnership Board meeting.</p> |

# Access to Services – 23<sup>rd</sup> January



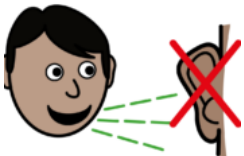

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|                                                                                     | <p>The Access to Services group is looking at how all services can be easier for disabled people to use.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|   | <p>The main issues which disabled people say are important are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Making sure that people with more than one disability can get a good service</li> <li>• Services should make an effort to understand what people need and want from using them</li> <li>• Disabled people can face difficulties using public transport to services</li> <li>• Many services don't open in the evening or at weekends</li> <li>• Disabled people want to use ordinary (mainstream) services</li> <li>• Services to be in accessible places and to be closer to where people live.</li> </ul> |
|                                                                                   | <p>The group agreed that it will work on a project looking at how to make services more accessible for people with autism and similar conditions such as ADHD and dyslexia.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|                                                                                   | <p>It will also write to the local bus and train companies to ask what they are doing to make travel easier for disabled people.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

# Day Services – 1<sup>st</sup> February

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|  <p>Day Centre</p> | <p>The Day Services Working Group will be looking at the issues disabled people talked about at the Let's Make Day Services Work events in November 2022.</p> |
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|  | <p>The first thing it will do is work with people with learning disabilities to find out what they want from day services. These include day services in the community and those in special buildings for people with learning disabilities.</p>                         |
|  | <p>You can read the easy read version of the day services at <a href="https://equalitytogether.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Easy-read-day-services-report.pdf">https://equalitytogether.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Easy-read-day-services-report.pdf</a></p> |

## Accessible information – 9<sup>th</sup> February

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|                   | <p>The accessible information is looking at how information can be made so disabled people can understand it.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|                  | <p>Disabled people should be able to tell people who work in services how they like to receive information and services should be able to provide it.</p> <p>This might be in easy read, BSL (British Sign Language), large print or audio (spoken recordings).</p>                                                                                         |
| <p>My needs</p>  | <p>Often people tell an organisation how they want to receive information but it isn't always acted on. We will write to Adult Social Care in Bradford Council. We want them to send people information in the way they ask for every time.</p>                                                                                                             |
|                  | <p>We looked at Bradford Council's Connect to Support website. This should let disabled people know what services they can use.</p> <p>We felt that it was really important that people can choose for themselves how big the font (letters) are and what colours are used.</p> <p>It is also important that the information on the website is correct.</p> |

# Independence and choice – 15<sup>th</sup> Febuary



Only two people from disabled people's organisations attended the independence and choice group. It was decided that the meeting will be held at another date later in the year.

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