

Bradford Co-Production Partnership – Update 10 - December 2023

Co-Production
Partnership



Sharing the power

Welcome

An illustration of two people, a man in a yellow shirt and a woman in a green shirt, both with their arms raised in a welcoming gesture. The word "welcome" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font above them.	<p>Welcome to the latest update from the Bradford Co-Production Partnership.</p>
A group of six diverse people standing together. One person is in a wheelchair. They appear to be in conversation, with speech bubbles above them. The group includes a man in a dark jacket, a woman in a purple top, a man in a light blue shirt, a man in a purple shirt, a man in a blue shirt, and a woman in a blue dress.	<p>Co-Production is about disabled people and people who run services working together to make them better.</p>
A photograph of a large, historic stone building with a prominent tower and clock face, likely the Bradford Council's Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee building. The building is surrounded by a paved area and some greenery.	<p>We will tell you about the opportunity for someone to represent disabled people at Bradford Council's Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee.</p>
A black silhouette of a person standing. On their chest is a colorful infinity symbol (the symbol for neurodiversity) with a rainbow gradient.	<p>We will also tell you how we are finding out about the experience of people with neurodiverse conditions in accessing services.</p>

Representing disabled people

	<p>Bradford Council have asked the Co-Production Partnership to find a person to represent disabled people on Bradford Council's Health and Care committee. A representative is someone who goes to a meeting to give the views of other people.</p>
	<p>This is a really important role to make sure that health and care services are thinking about the needs of disabled people.</p>
	<p>The committee hears from people who work and manage different health and care services. Members of the committee can ask questions and say what they think about the service. The committee makes sure that health and care services are working well for the people who use them.</p>
	<p>The person representing disabled people will need to be a voice for disabled people in the Bradford district.</p>
	<p>They will need to be able to listen to the views of different disabled people and disabled people's groups.</p>
	<p>They will need to think about how the things the committee talk about affect different groups of disabled people.</p>
	<p>If you want to find out more about this role or want to apply to do it you can visit www.equalitytogether.org.uk/get-involved/co-production/hosc Or you can phone or text Wil on 07432 264 881. Email wilq@equalitytogether.org.uk</p>

Neurodiversity and mainstream services



We have been looking at their experience as people with a range of neurodivergent conditions in accessing mainstream services.

Neurodivergent conditions include autism, ADHD, Tourette's Syndrome, dyslexia and dyspraxia.



Mainstream services are services which anyone can use. This can include

- health services (doctors, hospitals)
- going to the gym
- art and culture (museums, galleries, theatre)
- going to the job centre



The Co-Production Partnership has been working with people who attend Specialist Autism Services in Bradford.

People have told us about their experiences of using mainstream services.

People told us about how they have not always had a good service because they have autism. For example, doctors do not explain things well. Also waiting rooms can be very noisy.



We are also carrying out a survey. This will give people with neurodiverse conditions a chance to tell us their experiences of mainstream services.



The survey is still available online. You can complete it on our website.


<https://equalitytogether.org.uk/neurodivergent-access-to-mainstream-services/>

If you would like a paper copy sending please call or text 07432 264 881.





If you are part of an organisation which works with neurodiverse people and would like to talk to the Partnership about your experiences, please get in touch.

Other news

	<p>We have been working with disabled people and staff from the hospitals in Bradford. We are wanting to make sure that hospitals are accessible to disabled people.</p> <p>If you have used the hospitals in Bradford and want to tell us about your experience please get in touch. You can email willq@equalitytogether.org.uk. Or you can call or text 07432 264 881</p>
<p><i>Interests & involvement</i> Have your say!</p>	<p>In our last update we mentioned our new Interests and Involvement database. This will let us know what areas of our work disabled people and carers want to help us with.</p> <p>If you want to be more involved in this work please complete our online form. https://equalitytogether.org.uk/interests-and-involvement/</p>

Contact the Co-Production Partnership

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