



Learning Disability Partnership Board

Subgroup Highlight Report



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What's gone well since last report?

- The Preparing for Adulthood Stakeholder Group met on MS Teams in February 2023.
- Jill Hughes, Group Manager for All Age Disability, gave a presentation about some Preparing for Adulthood work she is leading using a “toolkit” to assess which areas we need to work on to make improvements. This is called an audit.
- Jill also gave us some good news about the All-Age Disability Service, who have successfully recruited an additional 10 Family Support Workers, as well as more Case Work officers and more Educational Psychologists.

- Jill gave an update on the work she is doing to develop the “Local Offer” website. Some work has already been done and the site can be found here: [Worcestershire SEND Local Offer](#) . Jill has collected feedback on the Local Offer in a survey and this will help inform the design and content moving forward.
- Chris Boxall gave an update about SENDIASS (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information, Advice and Support Service). They have produced their annual report which will soon be live on the website ([Worcestershire SENDIASS](#)). They now have a Training Development Officer to support families and professionals and the team offer lots of different courses.
- Young People Advisers are now working in schools and colleges, working directly with young people, and providing career advice.
- Diane Hughes gave an update about the Mencap Supported Internship programme. This includes skills development and work experience for up to 30 young people, aged 16-24 years old.
- Judy Gibbs (Head of Skills and Investment) told us about an event taking place on 30th March to promote inclusive recruitment and employment to Worcestershire employers.



What will we have looked at by next report?

- The first stage of the Preparing for Adulthood Audit will have been completed, to identify priorities to focus on.
- The Local Offer will be further updated.
- There will be a focus item on Supported Internships at the next meeting.
- The Inclusive Employment event will have taken place.