

Priority Issues and Planning for the Disability Hub Feedback

Table 1

‘Ask Sheffield City Council about why they think Sheffield is disability friendly city.’

Access ★★★★★ (4)

- Including the built environment e.g. drop kerbs.
- Build on Accessible Sheffield Project, including access to all buildings e.g. businesses and council services, doctors and other health services.
- Services should be accessible for all

Need a remodelling of disability

Stop Isolation ★★★★★ (4)

- Living independently and living in dignity.
- Not isolation and it needs a solution.

How do we access sport and leisure?

Health and social care

Disability awareness

Employment ★★★★★

- Need for cultural shift in thinking about employment.
- Change of thinking to raise aspirations around employment.
- Challenge employers to think differently.
- Create rules around disability don't fit people into square holes

Table 2

Transport ★★★★★★★ (7)

- Take part in new transport strategy e.g. help with consultation draft.
- Access on buses and sometimes trams: look at attitudes of staff and customers.
- Travel pass extended, explore travel card used by London Transport: ‘please give up your seat forms’.
- Tickets to include messaging: such as ‘talk is cheap - actions speak’.

Employment ★★

- Develop a one stop shop around employment initiatives with the Support Sheffield e.g. so can do more through networks, taking issues through its official influence and appropriate people.
- Decision-makers commitment what action will it take to back the work.

Social Care ★★★

Healthwatch come together with disability orgs, rather than reinventing the wheel.

Advocacy ★

- Sheffield Support shows advocacy helps.
- From members feedback develop a response.
- Introduce PIP champions.
- Disability Hub advocate types and separate working group to campaign for commit to providing information.
- Attend health by BAMER Hub health event tomorrow.
- Create a commitment to provide advocacy to those who need it.

Table 3

'We can and should influence national legislation also.'

- Disability Hub priorities, e.g. 4 priorities = 4 meetings
- Challenge is to prioritise within a broader topic: e.g. health and social care look at where there are crossovers with other Hubs and Opportunities to work together, for example in poverty with disabled people with the BME population.
- Connections between priorities and issues
- Communications campaign around issues to raise awareness and call to action
- Look at what other Hubs action plans are addressing, and see where we can work together.
- Stage an 'End of Year' event to look at achievements and challenges, and learn from each other

Health

- Access to health services
- e.g. cervical screening and for sexual health needs.
- Impact of relationship.
- Impact from changing needs around mental-health
- Links to pick access to health services

Advocacy★★

- Advocate for disabled people to become peer advocates and advisers under training and accreditation priorities.
- Also spoke about health and social care ★
- Advocacy runs through all areas and priorities.

'Transport is an ongoing concern.'

Employment★★

- Employment research ongoing DRILL.
- DRILL to find out what attitudes of employers and figure out how to improve statutory opportunities for disabled people or situations for disabled people.

Table 4

Accessible housing★★★★

- More affordable housing
- More involvement through planning, policy and neighbourhoods

- Social care needs expanding as people get older

Education★★★

People need to achieve

Joined together services★★★

- Including advice and advocacy.
- Establish lots of additional small forums

Employment★

Back employment initiatives but only if appropriate

'Make sure provision is in place.'

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