Direct Payments in Sheffield

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We are working to collect stories and experiences to show others what is possible with direct payments.

We are working with organisations to help develop more local and creative types of support.

Create a clear information map of the rules and processes.



We have a co-produced a vision for direct payments in Sheffield that promotes 'enabling' information.

A group of people who receive a direct payment are currently reviewing all our direct payment information, including that about employing and managing Personal Assistants.

From early July there will be a council web page dedicated to direct payments.



Establish an ongoing user led review.

We will be holding 'meet the direct payment commissioner' sessions 4 times a year.

People who use social care sit on the direct payment strategy steering group and contribute to improvement work.

We have included answers to the questions in our revised information.

We want people who use social care to review how the changes are working.



Facilitate a problem solving supportive hub.

We have co-produced a direct payment vision so that everyone is clear how a direct payment can be used.

An interim direct payment support service will be in place within the next 9 months.

We want to enable people to access the support as and when they need it, so are reviewing longer term options for an on-going support arrangement.

Prioritise development & infrastructure for Personal Assistants.

We have been reviewing workforce development with people who employ their own PAs.

This includes work on appropriate rates of pay and identifying training needs.

We have introduced an automatic uplift of PA wages. Work has started on promoting the role of PAs and encouraging people to become PAs.





