

Integrated Learning Disabilities Service – Adult Social Care

The Integrated Learning Disabilities Service (ILDS) has continued to work closely with our colleagues in Childrens Social Care, the voluntary sector and Education to ensure that young people with SEND who meet the criteria for adult care, have a smooth transition to adult life. As in previous years, we are running a series of Moving On events, the details of which can be found in our Moving On Booklet <https://new.enfield.gov.uk/services/children-and-education/local-offer/moving-on-info-booklet-local-offer.pdf>

The integrated learning disabilities service works with adults 18+ with learning disabilities who are eligible for service under the Care Act. Many of these people will also have additional needs associated with autism, mental health, complex health problems and physical & sensory disabilities. The service also works with young people and their families 16+ to ensure a smooth transition. The service includes:

- Social Workers
- Community Nurses
- Psychiatrists
- Psychologist
- Employment specialists
- Occupational Therapists
- Physiotherapists
- Art Therapists
- Speech & Language Therapists

Over the past year we have supported a number of young people and adults with learning disabilities to find paid employment with approximately 18% of our service users living in the community being in some form of paid employment. Last year we were the 7th best local authority in England for employment of people with learning disabilities, up from 10th the year before.

We believe that all adults with learning disabilities, whatever their level of need, should have the opportunity to live in their own accommodation in the local community. For some this might mean living in a shared tenancy with others, for some having their own flat but within a supported tenancy project and for some, living with support in mainstream accommodation. Our experience tells us that with the right support, people can live really meaningful lives in the local area with access to a wide range of activities. Enfield is one the best Councils in London at supported people to live in community accommodation rather than residential care.

We are working hard with our colleagues in other organisations to prevent young people and adults with behaviour that challenges, being admitted to assessment & treatment units/mental health hospitals. We have a number of services which can support families and individuals to avoid the need for a hospital admission. Where an admission is absolutely necessary, we ensure that the hospital stay is for no longer than necessary.

Further information on services for young people with SEND in transition and adult learning disabilities services can be found at:

<https://mylife.enfield.gov.uk/homepage/>

<https://new.enfield.gov.uk/services/children-and-education/local-offer/>

The current Head of Integrated Learning Disabilities Services is retiring, and we are pleased to welcome Vicky Main as the new Head of Service.

Enfield Council working in partnership with:

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