

Learning Disability Partnership Board Knowledge Café



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Get Involved!

July 5th to 9th marks the 6th national **Co-production Week**.

So in this issue of the newsletter, whilst we are unable to hold our usual Knowledge Cafés in person we will be looking at all of different opportunities that Wiltshire CIL has for people with a learning disability to get involved in to help shape, develop and co-produce services and support in Wiltshire.

Including:

- ◆ **Learning Disability Facebook Forum**
- ◆ **Good Lives Alliance mini Knowledge Cafés**
- ◆ **Have Your Say (Autism and Learning Disability workshops)**
- ◆ **Community Connecting at Hope Nature Centre**

We will also take a look at how we celebrated Learning Disability Week 2021.



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Get Involved!

Look out for these boxes with details of how you can get involved

Learning Disability Facebook Forum

Introducing the new Wiltshire Learning Disability Facebook Forum!

The Wiltshire Learning Disability Forum on Facebook is a closed online group for adults with Learning Disabilities, where people can share useful information and keep in touch about what is happening in Wiltshire.

WILTSHIRE LEARNING DISABILITY FORUM



We also post questions and polls to get your views on local and national issues as well as sharing information about events and engagement opportunities so that you are able to have your say and get involved in shaping and developing services and support in Wiltshire.

As the Forum is a closed group you need to request to be a member.

Search for the **Wiltshire LD Forum** on Facebook
and click on **Join Group** to request to join



Good Life Knowledge Café Series

Over the next 6 months Wiltshire CIL will be hosting a series of small Knowledge Cafés for people with a learning disability and/or autism

Between June and November 2021 we are holding a series of mini knowledge cafés where we want to hear your views about how Wiltshire Council can best support you to live your good life.

Each month we will be focusing on a different topic, including:

My Good Life
Good Support
My Community
Work and Employment
Living My Life
Health

The mini knowledge cafés are fun and safe places where people can have open discussions about their thoughts, experiences and ideas.

At the end of the 6 months all of the information that we have gathered from the people taking part will be written into a report which Wiltshire Councils Good Lives Alliance Commissioning Team will use to help them shape and plan services and support for people with a learning disability in the future.

These mini knowledge cafés are running alongside a series of workshops that the Good Lives Alliance are holding with providers over the same period.

>>> GOOD LIFE KNOWLEDGE CAFE SERIES <<<

#2 Good Support Knowledge Cafe

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We want to hear your views about how Wiltshire Council can best support you to live your good life.

The 2nd Knowledge Cafe is about: **Good Support**
we will look at:

- what good support looks like for you
- what support you value
- what qualities and skills those who support you should have
- How best to support you

The Knowledge Cafes will be being held on:

Tuesday 20th July 10.30am - 12pm
Wiltshire CIL 11 Couch Lane Devizes SN10 1EB

Tuesday 27th July 10.30am - 12pm
Warminster Atheneum Gallery
18-20 High Street Warminster, BA12 9AE

To book a place email userengagement@wiltshirecil.org.uk or call the User Engagement Team on **0300 1233 442**
Spaces are limited due to Covid

Wiltshire Centre for Independent Living 11 Couch Lane, Devizes, SN10 1EB
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To find out more about the Good Lives Knowledge Café Series or to book to attend one email userengagement@wiltshirecil.org.uk or call the User Engagement Team on **0300 1233 442**

Learning Disability Week 2021

This year's Learning Disability Week took place from 14th - 20th June. The theme was art and creativity!

Learning Disability Awareness Week 2021



Learning Disability Awareness Week 2021 was held from the 14th - 20th June. The theme this year was art and creativity.

A small group of us met together to talk about what art and creativity means to us. We then celebrated the week by learning how to make giant bubbles.

Here are some of the ways people shared that they like to be creative:

- MUSIC
- DANCING
- GOING ON A WALK
- BUBBLES
- PAINTING
- TAKING PHOTOGRAPHS
- BEING IN THE PARK WITH MY FRIENDS
- READING

Watch the bubble film on the Wiltshire CIL YouTube channel

Community Connecting

We spent the afternoon at Hope Nature Centre with the Wiltshire CIL Community Connectors and a group of people with learning disabilities

At Wiltshire CIL we like to find out the views and opinions of the people we walk alongside. On 23rd June we visited the Hope Nature Centre. We spent time getting to know each other, really enjoyed looking round the animals and shared ideas together to support our future work as Community Connectors.



If you have any questions or would like to know more about the Wiltshire Learning Disabilities Partnership Board contact -
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