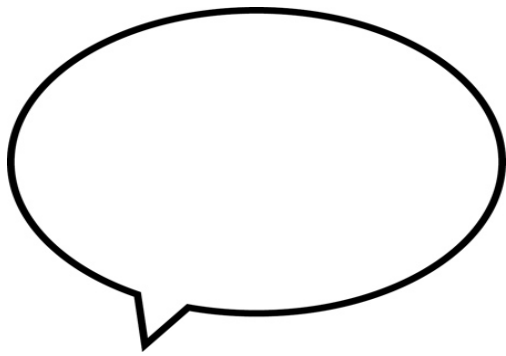


Sharing Learning, Sharing Excellence

A home and a job for adults with a learning disability
and/or severe mental health condition in Yorkshire
and the Humber

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What this is about

“Addressing poverty and inequality in Britain is at the heart of our agenda for Government. It is unacceptable that millions of adults and children are living in poverty and whole communities are existing at the margins of society, trapped by dependency and unable to progress. In these areas aspiration and social mobility disappear, leaving disadvantaged children to become disadvantaged adults.”

Ian Duncan-Smith MP, Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, May 2010

“The right to a home and a job are fundamental parts of life, which all people across Yorkshire and the Humber should have available to them.”

Professor Paul Johnstone, Yorkshire and the Humber Regional Homes and Jobs Delivery Plan, April 2010

Why we need to do this



In 2009/10 in Yorkshire and the Humber:

- less than 1 in 25 of people with a severe mental health problem had a job
- less than 1 in 10 of people with a learning disability, in touch with services had any kind of paid job
- 70,000 people with severe mental health problems are on incapacity benefit
- We think poor mental health costs Yorkshire and the Humber about £9.3 billion every year

What have we all achieved



- Department of Health and NHS Yorkshire and the Humber Innovation Fund
 - Public Sector Agreement 16
 - Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT)
- 12 Innovation Fund projects supporting homes and jobs for people with a learning disability and/or mental health condition
- 1 Innovation Fund IAPT Active Lifestyles locality project

What have we all achieved



- General Election and the Big Society
- Voluntary and Community Sector in Yorkshire and the Humber:
- Small Grants Projects

Looking forward



- Where do we go from here?
- How do we make sure that we build on what we have done and keep it going?

Today



- To share the learning from everybody's work
- To share ideas that might help stop homelessness and unemployment amongst people with mental health problems and/or a learning disability
- To share and debate ideas for keeping this work going

