







Words that you may not know

	Words	What the word means
	VPST	Valuing people support team. This is the team that helps making the big policy Valuing People Now happen.
	Stakeholders	Stakeholders are all the people who know about or will have views about a certain subject like housing
	PSA 16	Socially Excluded Adults Public Service Agreement
	FACS	Fair access to care services - guidance on eligibility criteria for adult social care
	Mental Capacity Act	The Mental Capacity Act came into force in October 2007. It protects people who cannot make decisions for themselves due to a learning disability or a mental health condition, or for any other reason. It provides clear guidelines

		for carers and professionals about who can take decisions in which situations.
	Section 106	This is a legal rule that says a Council make to say something should happen (like housing for people with disabilities) as part of agreeing that lots of new housing can be built
	Housing Benefit	If you're on a low income, whether you're working or not, and need financial help to pay all or part of your rent, you may be able to get Housing Benefit.
	Disability Living Allowance	Disability Living Allowance - sometimes called DLA - is a tax-free benefit for children and adults who need some help to look after themselves. This might be because they need help to go out and about or daily living.
	Independent Living fund	The Independent Living Fund makes payments to disabled people to help them lead a more independent life. You can use payments from the fund to pay a care agency or to employ someone to give you personal and domestic care in your home.
	Telecare and assistive technology	Assistive technology is equipment or adaptations that will help somebody to live more independently.

	<p>ASC commissioning</p>	<p>This is Adult Social Care Commissioning. It is the group of people who work out what support services people need in their area now and in the future.</p>
	<p>Disabled Facilities Grant</p>	<p>A Disabled Facilities Grant is a local council grant to help towards the cost of adapting your home to help you carry on living there. A grant is paid when the council considers that changes are necessary to meet your needs, and that the work is reasonable and practical.</p>
	<p>Tenant agreements</p>	<p>A tenancy agreement is a legal agreement in writing that sets out the rights and responsibilities of both landlord and tenant. It will contain details such as the length of the agreement, the rent payable, and what is and isn't allowed in the property, such as pets.</p>
	<p>JSNA</p>	<p>Joint strategic needs assessment is a big assessment that looks at things like health, housing and employment in your area and what will happen to make it a good place to live for everyone.</p>