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VISION...GRACE EYRE’S DREAM FOR THE FUTURE

We want people with learning disabilities to be treated in the same way as other people, be part of the communities and places where they live and have a chance to make their dreams and wishes come true.

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- mental health needs, diminishing physical wellbeing and social isolation.

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WHAT GRACE EYRE DOES...

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HERE ARE OUR SERVICES:

CHOICES
we support people to live in their homes and to do things in their communities

HOUSING
we work with people to have a home of their own where they are in control

SHARED LIVES
where people share a home with paid carers

ACTIVE LIVES
where people do activities in the day time

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ABOUT THE NEW GRACE EYRE HUBS

OR 'HANG OUTS'

These will be our new buildings and some will specialise in one or two key areas, such as:

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- Performing arts, for example, a theatre or a community centre

The hubs will offer people with learning disabilities and their families:

- A place to meet up with friends
- Drop-in advice on things like benefits and other things

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- People with learning disabilities supporting one another
- People with and without learning disabilities working together as equals, like a team
- More volunteers helping out

They will be:

- Open 7 days a week
- In easy to find places, like on a High Street

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BY 2020 WE WANT THESE THINGS TO HAPPEN AT GRACE EYRE

- People with learning disabilities and their families and friends to be making decisions about Grace Eyre
- To establish new hubs in Brighton and Hove, West Sussex and Lambeth
- Hubs to have projects and activities in them
- 100 people to have good quality housing
- To support at least 800 people with learning disabilities
- To raise money from contracts, fundraising, selling things and borrowing money
- To employ about 450 staff, 20% of these staff will have a learning disability
- To provide flexible employment and apprenticeships, and ensure that staff have good training and working conditions

We have spoken to people with learning disabilities and their families, friends and carers, as well as commissioners, staff, and supporters. We listened to what they told us to create this plan.
Our Plan outlines what we will do between now and 2020 and how we are determined to be led by people with learning disabilities.

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