

**Recommendations:**

Recommendation number:	Recommendation	Responsible body	Comments
1	Provide better access to local areas for people who use wheelchairs.	Stockton-on Tees Borough Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adult social care are working with planning on the development of the high street.</li> <li>• Stockton Borough Council has also been successful in two grant awards to develop changing places within Stockton to enable people to have their personal needs met within the community.</li> </ul>
2	Provide more opportunities for people with a learning disability to participate in local activities that are enjoyable and meaningful, and that enhance learning.	Stockton-on Tees Borough Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stockton Borough council adult social care are currently undertaking a review of its day opportunities and wider community options.</li> <li>• The key principles are to work with people who use our services to develop the confidence, skills, relationships and abilities and maximise their control over their lives and access to opportunities to enable people to do the things that they want to do and help them to live the lives they want to live.</li> <li>• To strengthen and grow the relationships people have in their communities working with them to be active and valued members of their communities.</li> <li>• To work with people and their carers to participate, at all levels, in shaping and delivering service delivery.</li> <li>• People will be able to connect with and benefit from the range of relationships, assets and resources that are available within their networks and communities.</li> </ul>
3	Provide more opportunities for people with a learning disability to have social contact,	Stockton-on Tees Borough Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All people who are assessed by Adult Social Care are offered an indicative budget which enables them to have choice and control over their care and support to enable people to participate in their interests.</li> </ul>

	and to communicate with others in a safe space, outside of day service provision.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Steps to employment and Community bridge building enable people to engage in activities outside of the normal hours, to participate in exercise, education and social interests. Virtual sessions are provided which enables people to meet up and maintain friendships.</li> <li>• Social Lights is a VCSE service which links volunteers with adults who receive social care support to access the wider community and to participate in things recreational activities that interest them, such as swimming, going to cinema etc.</li> </ul>
4	Provide targeted health and wellbeing support for people with a learning disability, and their families and carers, to support their understanding of health messages.	<p>Stockton-on Tees Borough Council</p> <p>Tees Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Trust</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• People with a Learning Disability have been offered a health action plan and Hospital passport during the Covid pandemic to identify any health needs. These documents are reviewed yearly to ensure that people have had their yearly health checks and vaccinations, such as Covid and Flu.</li> <li>• Stockton Borough Council chair the Learning Disability Partnership group and topics such as health inequalities are reviewed along with learning from LeDeR and action plans are developed.</li> <li>• TEWV physical health team has recently been in contact with our in-house self-advocacy group to provide training and advice regarding specific health issues which the advocacy group has raised.</li> </ul>
5	Ascertain the effects of post-covid infection on family members/carers of people with a disability.	<p>Stockton-on Tees Borough Council</p> <p>NHS Tees Valley CCG/ICB</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SBC is unaware of any research that has been undertaken on the effects of post covid on Family/ carers of people with learning disabilities. However, we have continued to review the support services that are provided to people and their carers/ families to ensure they receive the correct support.</li> </ul>