

Report from Complex Needs Working Group for Learning Disability Partnership Meeting



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- We have had 1 meeting since September 2024

The meeting in November was attended by:

- 5 family advocates
- 1 person from Adult Services
- 2 people from Health
- 2 service providers
- There were apologies from 3 people



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We are worried about what the government has said about extra taxes for employers.



This will affect organisations that employ carers.



Recruitment is already difficult and some have to compete with agencies offering much higher hourly rates.



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There is a need to keep a gap in pay as otherwise managers will not want to take on the extra responsibility if they are not paid extra for this.



We shared ways to protest, like petitions.



We talked about basic needs and how sometimes these are not met. We had already talked about toilets.



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This time we heard about the problem of supply of a special feed for someone.



The person cannot tolerate a different kind of feed as this causes them problems with their digestion.



This affects the person and all their family.



A good news story was how accessible the venue Fareham Live is.

[Fareham Live](#)



There is plenty of accessible parking, changing places toilets, carers can go free and the staff are very welcoming.



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