# South Ayrshire Adult Learning Disability Strategy 2022 2027

The intention of this report is to give an update on the actions that are in the Learning Disability Strategy till March 2023. The report will also highlight areas where we are still working to achieve our ambitious timescales.

The strategy was launched in August 2022 after approval by the Integrated board and other relevant committees.

The strategy written as a shared approach with our league of champions or board of carers and lived experience experts and our consultation process and engagement robust and delivered an inspirational road map for us to work on together to deliver the strategic plan overarching vision "empowering our communities to start well, live well and age well" The strategy aligns with the wellbeing pledge and all of the strategic plan objectives and Policy Priorities. The strategy focusses on prevention and tackling inequality, nurture and support people with a learning disability and their carers to be part of communities that care for each other. We work together to provide the right care in the right place, building safer communities making a positive impact beyond the services we deliver. We are an ambitious and effective partnership and are transparent and listen to our communities.

There are four main themes within the strategy:

Health and Wellbeing
Choice and Control
Living Independently
Active Citizenship

## **Health and Wellbeing**

There are 13 actions within this section of the strategy 5 are due for report as per below in this period .

2 have been achieved and 1 has drifted due to staffing and the role being recruited to on a permanent full-time basis.

The other 2 are currently being worked on and will be actioned on in next reporting period

LDS 01	We will develop a Covid Recovery Plan which will ensure there is restorative action for issues caused by the Covid pandemic such as poor mental health and missed health appointments. The Covid Recovery Plan will investigate innovative support ideas.	31-Dec- 2022	<b>✓</b>		This was completed in December and forms the joint working arrangements in our MDT in our activities and specialist support
LDS 04	Develop a programme of work with Public Health to promote oral health programmes to people with Learning Disabilities which will be ongoing throughout the strategy.	31-Dec- 2022	<b>✓</b>	100%	28-Feb-2023 This is well underway contact made with public health who are supporting the LD team by providing training and advice and have developed this programme of work to commence.

LDS	S 05	Provide people with a learning disability with a health passport and fast track ID when they go into hospital		31-Mar- 2023	0%	This post was vacant and part time so now recruited to and full time it is expected that this will be reported on and have significantly improved in next reporting period
LDS	S 11	Community Learning Disability team will begin to work alongside provider agencies and their staff to offer trauma-informed training and will ensure all health and social care staff are trained in trauma-informed care and practice. This will be ongoing throughout the strategy.	Karon	31-Mar- 2023	100/	22-May-2023 Dr Laura Watters has linked with the South Ayrshire Trauma Informed Practice Officer Angie Pinkerton to discuss overlaps in training. Some local provider agencies attending training via this route. Meeting to be arranged.
LDS	S 12	Ensure people with learning disabilities and/or their carers have access to supports and interventions to stay mentally well.	Tony Clapham ; Alice McAlliste r; Alison Welshm an	31-Mar-	50%	28-Feb-2023 Carers who provide a high level of care will have a carers support plan and will receive the equivalent of 4 weeks respite with no cost. Carers are also signposted to the carers centre.

#### **Choice and Control**

There are 11 actions in this section of the action plan

There is only 1 action that requires reporting in this period, and it has been completed

LDS 16	Agree and implement a process which involves services such as further education, skills development, welfare, and housing as part of the transition planning process.	Tess Barke; Tony Clapha m	31- 202	-Dec-         	<b>✓</b>	100%	28-Feb-2023 Completed new Transition policy, Transition worker health and social work lead on this work are developing advice leaflets for more clarity among services, young people, and families.
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## **Living Independently**

There are 6 actions for this aspect of the strategy however none need reporting on.

## **Active Leadership**

There are 6 actions in this section of the strategy that require to be reported on.

There are 2 required in this reporting period and they have both been completed

LDS 33	Develop, with people with learning disabilities, a range of support options including a building-based service that meets the needs and aspirations of people across the learning disability spectrum and will encourage people to spend time with their peers.	Tony Clapha m; Alice McAllist er; Greig Stevens on; Alison Welshm an	31-Dec- 2022	<b>✓</b>	100%	28-Feb-2023 A building based service in now operating and offers a limited range of activities which will be built on across the building remaining sensitive to the current day service which transferred over to the new building.
LDS 34	Develop a range of support options for people without a diagnosis of a learning disability.	Sandra Rae	31-Mar- 2023	<b>✓</b>	100%	22-May-2023 There are a variety of activities in both Ayr and Girvan that people can attend if they have a learning difficulty or identify as having a learning disability or difficulty as opposed to a specific learning disability. We currently have successful litter picking groups in Ayr and walking groups in Girvan ,Maybole and Troon with others in the pipeline. We work closely with VASA in terms of their activities in South Ayrshire

			to support and signpost. We are also looking at a post to support volunteering activities for our service user group.
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