

HOW HAS THE NATIONAL STRATEGY INFLUENCED AUTISM SERVICES IN YOUR AREA?

EVERYTHING HAS BEEN DEVELOPED BY 3RD SECTOR - LITTLE STATUTORY INVOLVEMENT

IT LED TO SOME FUNDING FOR SERVICES + POSTS
MICROSEGMENTATION REPORT CRUCIAL IN HELPING WIN THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF SOME INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE

PARENTS AND CARERS ARE DOING THE DELIVERY

SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

AUTISM COORDINATION HUB

THE SCOTTISH NATIONAL STRATEGY HAS HAD A NEGLIGIBLE IMPACT

VOLUNTARY GROUPS
PARENTS

FOR TRAINING THE COUNCIL WAS GENEROUS

FOR DELIVERY THERE WAS NOTHING

WE MAKE THINGS HAPPEN (AS PARENTS) BUT WE HAVE TO FIND IT

AN OVERVIEW OF AUTISM ACTIVITY

THINK NATIONAL ACT LOCAL
HEALTHY LIFE
CHOICE + CONTROL
INDEPENDENCE

ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP

MUST BE TANGIBLE LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS

STATUTORY
3RD SECTOR
PEERS

WE HAVE INFLUENCED POLICY AT A LOCAL AND NATIONAL LEVEL

1/3 children have additional support needs AND YET EDUCATION WAS NOT INCLUDED IN STRATEGY

TICK-BOX TRAINING

ONLY ACCESSED BY THOSE WITH A VESTED INTEREST

IT DOESN'T GET USED

AVAILABLE TRAINING ISN'T MANDATORY OR PRACTICALLY SUPPORTED

YOU HAVE TO DO IT IN YOUR OWN TIME

THE ONE STOP SHOP CLOSED

WE GET NO DIRECTION OR SUPPORT AS PARENTS

SHOUTING WITH A VOICE OF RIGHTEOUS INDIGNATION

MICROSEGMENTATION REPORT
MOST COSTS FROM AUTISM ARE ESCAPABLE... WHY THEN, HAVE WE NOT ESCAPED THEM?
AUTISTIC PEOPLE HAVE AN AVERAGE 20 YEARS SHORTER LIFE EXPECTANCY

THERE IS A HUGE DEFICIT IN PROVISION

WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH POST-DIAGNOSTIC SUPPORT

WE NEED TO INVEST IN THE COMMUNITY BEING INFORMED

THERE'S AN ASSET BASED COMMUNITY LED APPROACH HERE

IM A NURSE
IM A SOCIAL WORKER
I WORK IN A HIGH SCHOOL
IT'S THE SAME

IT SHOULDN'T BE BECAUSE YOU'VE GOT AN AUTISTIC CHILD THAT YOU HAVE ACTIVELY GONE TO GET PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

CHILDREN DON'T DEVELOP SKILLS TO LIVE INDEPENDENTLY

SCHOOLS AREN'T SET UP TO SUPPORT AUTISTIC CHILDREN THROUGH MAINSTREAM

EDUCATION

TO FIND DIRECTION THROUGH DIAGNOSIS

FINANCE

COUNCILLORS MAKING DECISIONS DON'T HAVE THE KNOWLEDGE

BUDGETS NEED TO BE FOCUSED ON SUPPORTING + TRAINING PEOPLE TO DELIVER SERVICES TO DO SO

HOW COULD LOCAL SERVICES IMPROVE?

BE CLEAR
BE CONSISTENT
BE USEFUL
BE KIND
BE TRANSPARENT

ENSURE AUTISTIC PEOPLE DON'T GET STUCK IN LONG-TERM ACCOMMODATION

DIAGNOSTIC PATHWAY IS TOO MEDICALISED

THERE'S NO FORMAL ADULT DIAGNOSTIC PATH

IN SCHOOL SMALL CHANGES MAKE A HUGE DIFFERENCE

TAKE A PERSONAL SENSITIVE APPROACH

EDUCATION MUST BE PART OF THE STRATEGY

NEEDS TO BE EXPLICIT

THE STRATEGY DOESN'T HAVE TEETH

POCKETS OF GOOD PRACTICE ARE DEPENDENT ON PEOPLE WITH A VESTED INTEREST

A PARENT CARER GROUP CAN'T DO EVERYTHING

IT'S NOT SUSTAINABLE

NO ONE IS JOINING UP THE DOTS

FINANCES

SPENDING MONEY WISELY ON AUTISM SAVES MONEY

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PLEASE SHARE YOUR STORIES

ARCH IS GOOD BUT IT IS UNDER THREAT

THERE'S NO STABILITY

IT'S NOT FEASIBLE FOR US TO RUN ARCH - OUR VOLUNTARY TIME IS VALUABLE

IF SOMEONE HAS HAD A GOOD EXPERIENCE WE WILL HEAR ABOUT IT... WE DON'T HEAR MUCH

GOOD PRACTICE HAS COME FROM BOTTOM UP

WHAT DIFFERENCE HAS THIS MADE TO PEOPLE ACCESSING AUTISM SERVICES?

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BRINGING PARENTS TOGETHER TO SHARE INFORMATION

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LOCAL VIEWS OF AUTISM SERVICES + STRATEGY SOUTH LANARKSHIRE

FOR THOSE ACCESSING AUTISM SERVICES WHAT IS WORKING WELL?

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