

'My Community' - Bristol

What's the Vision?

Vision means what we want the future to look like.

Mencap wants the United Kingdom to be the best place in the world for people with a learning disability to live happy and healthy lives.



What is 'My Community'?

- The 'My Community' work aims to put people with a learning disability at the centre of local community development.
- It is funded by the [Covid-19 Support Fund](#) which was created by the Association of British Insurers (ABI) to help support some of the people hardest hit by the Covid-19 crisis.

Why Bristol?

- Local organisations [SENDAWelcome](#) and [Step and Stone](#) were set up by north Bristol parent carers of young people with learning disabilities.
- They work towards full inclusion of people with a learning disability into every part of the community.
- They asked Mencap to choose Bristol to be one of the places to benefit from the Covid-19 Support funding.

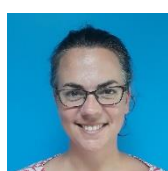
What do Community Partners do?

- Community Partners support community-led development
- Community Partners work with the community (local people and community organisations) to make it an even better place for people with a learning disability to live happy and healthy lives
- Community Partners support local people with a learning disability to work with the community to decide what happens

Who are the 'Community Partners' in Bristol?



Jess Garbett

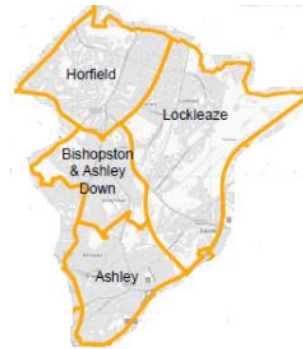


Alice Cranston

Where will you be working?

Some local people have told us their community and the places they often go are spread across Horfield, Lockleaze, Ashley, Bishopston and Ashley Down.

Because they said this, we will be working in these areas.



What does this mean for me?

- What happens in each area will be decided by people who live in the community as they know their community best.
- Local people with and without a learning disability will decide, develop, and be involved in plans that will make their community a better place for people with a learning disability to live.

How do I get involved?

➤ Join Community Conversations

We want to hear from local people about what your community means to you, what makes this a good area to live, what could make it even better, and what interests, skills, and talents you might share with your community.

➤ Join the Community Committee

Local people who are interested in creating a community vision and directing and leading this change will create a community committee.

A committee is a group of people who meet to make decisions or plans

➤ Become a Community Connector

Local people with a learning disability will work with us as 'Community Connectors'. There will be voluntary and paid roles.

If you would like to get involved, you can contact Jess and Alice:

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