



# New Directions Service

## Adult Learning Disability

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# COMMUNITY ACCESS WORKER ROLE

Connect adults with a learning disability to activities within their own local community

- Social



- Education



- Work experience



Offer support, assistance and advice to access and maintain community activities

- 1-2-1 support and advice
- ongoing monitoring visits
- regular review



## Once a referral is received...

- ▶ Community Access Worker contacts individual/family to arrange home visit
- ▶ Vocational profiling
- ▶ Activity search/match
- ▶ Support for initial visit/ support to settle into activity
- ▶ Community Access Worker is available should any issues occur
- ▶ Contact maintained with individual and family



# Examples of activities

- ▶ Social groups/discos
- ▶ Sports clubs
- ▶ Computer courses
- ▶ Horticulture
- ▶ Exercise programmes - group and one to one
- ▶ Access to day opportunities e.g. Tuned In/Playtrail/Artspace
- ▶ Social Farming
- ▶ Drama
- ▶ Workplacements





If you would like to know more...

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