

Day Service Offer for people with a learning disability

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Cabinet will meet on Tuesday, July 20th



They will look at a recommendation for the Council to talk again with people who have a learning disability, their families and carers, staff and partners



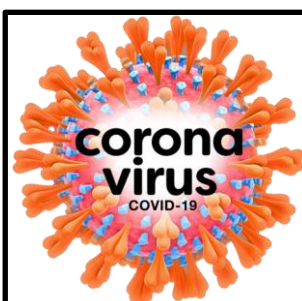
This is so you can have your say on future services and help produce ideas together to improve services and investment



An Officer report has shown Council's Day Service need to improve and move towards a person-centred and community-based model rather than the current, traditional 'day centre' approach



This will improve choices for people with learning disabilities by providing day opportunities that support their independence as much as possible



The report also shows some of the challenges facing the Council due to the Covid-19 pandemic and flooding last year.

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Council's Day Service supports around 355 adults with a learning disability, their families and carers



Support needs are very different with some people needing minimal support to those with complex needs.



The Service is delivered from three large day centres in Gadlys, Treforest and Llwynypia, 11 small community day centres and worked based sites.



Over the pandemic several meetings with people who use day services have happened to learn from their experiences of the pandemic and to begin to shape future options.



Feedback received identified that services provided are valued by people with a learning disability, their families and carers



It also showed a need to place greater emphasis on supporting and encouraging choice and opportunities

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To make meaningful community activities, including employment that promotes independence, social inclusion and positive outcomes.



If Cabinet approves the plan on July 20th



A draft strategy will be produced in the future, for formal public consultation and then a final decision by Cabinet.



The report also recommends that Treforest Day Centre remains temporarily closed due to its serious flood damage.



This will allow further evaluation when the draft Day Services Strategy is brought forward to Cabinet in the future

