

Parent And Carer Council **April 2019** 

Parent Carer Input into Visioning Day for SEND Strategy

**Information & Support, Influence & Change** 



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PACC has been working with Shropshire Council to gather the views of parent carers to inform the development of a new SEND Strategy. The aim of this work is to ensure that the voice of parent carers and children and young people are at the heart of this work and that the resulting strategy reflects the hope, wishes and aspirations of the Shropshire SEND Community. These posters were the result of a PACC event using creative approaches to collecting views. They will be displayed at the SEND Strategy Visioning Day in May 2020 and used to inform discussion.

#### **Information & Support, Influence & Change**

#### Help, Education, Health & Purpose

- Understanding need
- A reason to get up
- Supported to achieve their goals
- Life long support
- Staying Healthy
- Opportunities to help others



## Aspiration

- For my son to go to college
- For her to have an advocate when I am gone
- To be happy
- More support in school
- Not to be judged
- To be able to do things as a family
- Having friends
- Being more independent



### Worries & Wishes

- Will her anxieties pass?
- Better mental health support for our children and young people
- Worries about reduction of funding for the future
- Opportunities for independent living – a worry & a wish
- That disabled people aren't judged



# When you grow up I would like you to be.....

- Caring for yourself & a positive young lady
- Feeling good about yourself
- With friends & going out independently
- Proud of yourself
- Achieving goals & overcoming fears
- Independent, socialising & driving!!
- Living independently with support
- Healthy with a good diet and active life



### Friendship

- He wants to make friends but there are barriers that we don't know how to overcome
- I have written as a wish that I want her to have friends at 18, she doesn't have any now so I was reluctant to write that.
- His peers at school don't understand him
- She is mean to people at school because she doesn't understand how to make friends
- She doesn't leave my side. This is the longest she has been away from me



#### Positives & Barriers

- Love: like a lots of these it can be a positive and a barrier too
- Employment: I think employment can be a good and fulfilling thing for those who are capable
- Freedom: people often judge disabled people
- Friendship is important but it is hard making friends





A good life....