



New Opportunities



Finding out how the move has gone for some people



Inclusion North and Quality Checkers worked together

To find out –

- How moving had changed people's lives
- What everyone had learnt from the project



Finding out how people's lives have changed



The New Opportunities Project has supported 32 people with learning disabilities to make big changes in their lives.

Over the last 3 years people have been helped to move to a new house. The move has meant that some people now live with different people and are supported by different people

We wanted to find out if their lives are better now.



The Quality Checkers Team from Skills for People visited people in their homes.

We met people who know each person well. We met with support workers and some people's families.

This is what we found out.

A lot of people's lives have changed for the better



Almost all the people who moved are happy in their new homes.

People are more in control of their homes – how they look and what happens there.

Most people are out and about doing things they enjoy. They have more choice about how they spend their time.

Quite a lot of people now enjoy being able to spend time alone or on their own with their support workers rather than having to fit around a group of people.

But the move has been stressful for some people



Some people were very upset by the changes when they first moved. But a lot of these people are now happy.

There are 3 people who do not seem happy about living together in their new home. People from health and social services are going to look into this and see what can be done to make things better.

Some work needs to be done to make sure that everyone can have the use of a car if they need one.

What we found out from the staff involved

What went well?

Working together

The vision

Person Centred Reviews

What could have been better?

Some people not involved from the start

The money being so difficult and rules changing



What we found out from the staff involved

Top Tips for the future

- Make sure you get all the right people to plan for what will happen – you must include people with learning disabilities and their families from the start
- Have one person in charge of making sure there is a clear plan from the start
- Tell the people how they and the people they care about will be affected
- Tell people how they can have their say

