

ANNEX 7: FEEDBACK FROM PEOPLE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE OF LEARNING DISABILITY, AUTISM AND MENTAL HEALTH, FAMILIES, CARERS AND PARTNERS; HEALTH, PROVIDERS AND VOLUNTARY SERVICES ON OUR SUPPORTED INDEPENDENT LIVING PLANS

Design Feedback:

- Stakeholders were positive about the designs of new Supported Independent Living accommodation and our approach to the programme. They were actively engaged and keen to learn more about the future developments.
- They were pleased that health professionals such as Occupational Therapists have been engaged on the designs to ensure the ongoing viability of the designs for residents.

Care and Support:

- We discussed that care and support that will be provided within Supported Independent Living settings. It is a separate element to the accommodation itself and will be decided by the individuals living there and their assessed need. This will give individual residents the choice and control to employ the support that works for them.

A Place to Call Home (Tenancy):

- Stakeholders were pleased with our commitment to ensure secure and stable tenancies for residents of supported independent living.

A Space for Everyone (Accessibility):

- Stakeholders were pleased that accessibility for individuals with multiple health and social care needs has been carefully considered. We explained that some properties have been designed to allow space for staff to be available on call if required.
- All accommodation is accessible to wheelchair users and some accommodation has been specifically designed for residents who are wheelchair users to live in and be supported by their carers.
- Stakeholders were satisfied that staff accessibility and parking has been factored into the designs with electric charging points.

Options to Live in Shared or Single Occupancy Flats:

- They felt it would be important to have a mixed offer of self-contained apartments and shared accommodation as this will cater for people who may require a greater level of care and support. This will provide residents with the option to live in their own personal flat or with others.

Prioritisation and Eligibility:

- We explained that the developments are for people with eligible needs, and we will be working with Social Workers to prioritise individuals on a need's basis.

The Right Location:

- We confirmed that we have identified sites in fantastic locations with good access to local amenities, transport and the wider community.
- We explained that we are looking to identify sites across the whole of Surrey.

Space for Yourself and Space to Share with Others:

- We discussed that private and communal spaces will be maintained in our accommodation. Residents having access to an activity space they can book for use when they have visitors, or host people in their own flat or room.

Community Inclusion:

- We discussed the need to support residents to access and engage in community activities from supported independent living. We advised that this would be individually assessed and based on the individuals needs and interests.
- We want our future residents to have the opportunity to be active members of their local communities.