Report to: Learning Disability Partnership Board
Report from: Herts Self Advocacy Network

When we say ‘people’ we mean people with learning disabilities

### Reviewing plans

We are looking at plans and actions to find outcomes for people with learning disabilities. This is also our preparation for the June LDPB meeting. Included in these plans are:

- LDPB Work Plan and working group plans 2014 - 2019
- Hate Crime Strategy 2017 – 2020
- Herts County Council Equality Strategy 2016 - 2020

### Local elections

We again used our right to vote in the local elections.

Of the people with learning disabilities we spoke to, the numbers who voted seemed to be the same as those who voted in the 2015 General Election which had a high turnout.
This goes against national figures showing a low turnout across the general population.

Voting in national and local elections is very important to us, especially when it is about services we receive from local councils.

**Information**

We have made a suggestion to the Co-production board to live-stream their meetings, and to make the recording available after the meeting. This could enable more people, including those who cannot get to meetings, to see and hear the meeting. Can presentations given to the Learning Disability Partnership Board be filmed and shared this way too?

We know full Council meetings can be watched live and be seen for up to a year after, we would like other Council committee’s and boards to be screened, some suggestions:

- Adult Care and Health Services Board
- Health and Wellbeing Board
- Hertfordshire Safeguarding Board Topic Group
- Community Safety and Waste Management cabinet panel
- Adult Care Services Invest to Transform Topic Group

**Question 1**
Easy Read

The Herts County Council Easy Read Standards for Herts County Council staff were produced in 2014 / 2015. A refresh, and more awareness raising of the standards would be a good outcome for people with learning disabilities who have said they would like their information in easy read.

Can a refresh and a plan be made to raise awareness of the Easy Read Standards in Hertfordshire?

Accessible Information Standard

Is there data (numbers) on how many people have been asked how they want their information and the responses given?

End of report