



**Welcome to issue 60 of the LDPB Newsletter 2018.** If you have any articles, adverts, notices and or news that you would like to include in future editions please email:

[ldbp@northamptonshire.gov.uk](mailto:ldbp@northamptonshire.gov.uk)

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## Board meeting

We will talk about how the LDPB will work in the future

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Self advocates at 11.20

Everyone else from 12.30 to start at 1

**Please tell us if you are coming**

At the council offices

Room G01 (by reception), 1 Angel Square, Angel Street, Northampton.

NN1 1ED



## **Do you want a stall at the All About You – Communication conference in May?**

This year's All About You Conference will be happening on the 9th May and will be about communication.

If you know anyone who would like a stall please contact Claire by email for more information

[cwalliker@northamptonshire.gov.uk](mailto:cwalliker@northamptonshire.gov.uk)

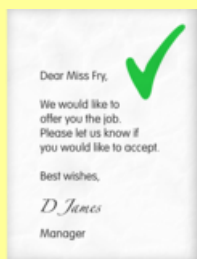
## SENEL Employment Passport



Do you need some help to say what you are good at when you apply for a job?



Take a look at the SENEL Employment Passport and Easy Read version by the LDPB by clicking [Employment Passport](#)



It will help you to show your skills and talents to employers.



You can describe your profile in writing or with pictures. You can also link videos or other electronic material to your passport to employment.

## Information to help you if you employ your own Personal Assistant (PA).

Skills for Care says:



“You may not think of yourself as an employer but if you employ your own care and support staff (a personal assistant or PA) using a direct payment, your own money, a personal care or health budget or other means, that’s exactly what you are.



Our Employing personal assistants toolkit guides you through the process in six handy booklets. You can download more resources to help from the information ....”



The toolkits can be found by clicking [here](#)



## Information for carers about Carers' Voice

Carers Voice exists to gather the views of Carers into the services and support they and those they care for receive from the County's Health and Social Care providers. We then present what we learn to the people that plan and deliver those services to persuade them to ensure what they provide actually meets the needs of ourselves and those we care for.

We are independent of all service providers. Your representatives in Carers Voice sit on several influential decision making forums in the county and are increasingly being listened to as the shortage of public finance demands that more care take place in the community and all funds are spent wisely. The recent widely publicised financial problems of the County Council make it all the more urgent and important that we do this well.

To represent you well we need to know what you think is needed and about your experience of the County's services. We urgently need to grow the numbers of Carers together with the varieties of care they provide so that we can carry out this challenging role on your behalf most effectively. But we have to keep our costs down so mostly we will be relying upon a community of Carers that we can reach electronically with questionnaires that are appropriate to their particular experiences of care. Our questionnaires will not take long to complete.

If you want to help and have an email address through which we can reach you, can you please soon send your name and contact e-mail to Natasha Mansukhani

[natashamansukhani@helathwatchnorthamptonshire.co.uk](mailto:natashamansukhani@helathwatchnorthamptonshire.co.uk)

To keep our administrative costs down we work closely with Healthwatch and further details can be found on their website [here](#)

## Information for Businesses/Employers only



### INVITATION

**We would like to invite you to a  
Disability Confident Event**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

**10:00 – 12:30**

**Saxon Suite  
Lodge Road  
Daventry  
NN11 4FP**

### **Guest Speakers:**

**Andy Ibbott – BBC2 Employable Me  
Mike Mcgrory – BBC2 Employable Me  
Lord Gary Spratt – Northampton Saints Wheelchair Rugby**

**If you would like to find out how disabled people can make a major contribution to the success of your business then please come and join us in finding out the financial, operational and social benefits that being a Disability Confident employer can bring.**

**Refreshments will be available on the day**



Department  
for Work &  
Pensions

 **disability**  
**confident**  
make it your business

## **Agenda**

### **Introduction**

**10:00 -10:15**

### **Staying Strong, Despite Adversity**

Andy Ibbott

Mike McGrory

Lord Gary Spratt

**10:20-10:50**

**11:00 -11:30**

**11:40 – 12:10**

### **Network with Local Employers**

**10:15 – 12:10**

### **Close**

**12:15 – 12:30**

**Chris Heaton- Harris**