



**Sarah to speak to the Borough Solicitor (our senior lawyer) about work the council do on 'Social Value' (this is about getting more jobs for people with learning disabilities built into future contracts)**



- Sarah has spoken with the person who takes a lead on **social value** in the council



- when the council makes a contract with companies they ask them to deliver social value, this includes employing people with LD / making apprenticeships available etc.

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- good work camden also help to link people with learning disabilities with opportunities with employers



- the council is doing work to improve this eg. writing a policy, writing a toolkit for providers. We could ask someone to come and talk at Planning Together if you would like.

# Social Value agreements in contracts

The **contract** the council makes with companies can include agreements about providing opportunities for our priority groups of residents such as:



- Employing or providing sponsorship for residents with LD and/or autism to access local employment opportunities and apprenticeships.
- Supporting local businesses and organisations who work with residents with LD and/or Autism to run workshops, programmes, or career talks.
- Work experience opportunities for Camden schools with a programme called STEAM. More information is [here](#)



# Improving Social Value

The work Camden are doing to improve what we do around social value also includes:



- writing a social value policy for the Council



- writing guidance or a toolkit for our providers



- making sure that employing people with LD is included as part of a providers' social value as often as possible



- improving how we connect providers with departments in the council to agree and share information on opportunities



- David Kinloch from Awards and Contributions to be asked to explain / breakdown what changes have been made in terms of the cost of living.



- The money you can keep for everyday living costs, and disability related expenses, before you have to pay towards your care and support is called **allowances**.



- This is worked out from a **financial assessment** every april. It is based on changes to both your money coming in and money going out



- this year an increase in the cost of living means your allowance has increased, but they also count that your benefits has increased.



- if the amount of money you need to spend on things has increased you need to tell the **awards and contributions team** on **020 79 74 16 07** so the financial assessment can be reviewed.



**Lynette to email the Alexandra Centre contact and introduce Jason**



- Lynette has invited Jason to a meeting with the Alexandra Centre



**Lynette to look if a tick box can be added to mosaic annual review to measure if people who have care packages have a Hospital Passport.**



- Lynette has checked and this cannot be done until a upgrade to mosaic has been finished