

Partnership Board Meeting on Thursday 1st October 2015



Family Carers and professionals Feedback Transport Workshop

What works best to make young disabled people feel good and more confident to travel independently?

The family carers and professionals talked about

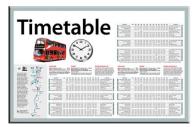
Person Centred

Make sure that we hear about people learning to become more independent. Make sure we celebrate success.

Travel training needs to be for each person and to be checked or monitored to make sure it's right for that person. It needs to be person centred.



Planning should be around the whole family and not just the person learning the journey. Families can offer support.



Use easy to read route planners and time tables, using pictures and symbols. Bus timetable apps (which you use on your mobile phone) could be useful.



We need to make sure that bus companies keep to their promises of making their buses accessible to all (meet equality duties).



Peer support can be a good idea. This is where you may pair up with someone, who is traveling the same journey as you.



Make sure the journey is purposeful and right for the person? We need to make sure that the journey has a reason like going to college, home, shopping.

The County Council will need to save money so there may be less money for travel training.



Colleges should be offering travel training as part of a student's learning to be independent. Should we start travel training earlier than 16 years? Could it fit in with road safety?

What about travel training for people who are older and do not go to school and college. Some access to work schemes do not help with travel training.



You may be able to travel safely during the day but this doesn't mean you can travel safely at night.