

The wordy bit...

Planning Live is offered by Swindon Borough Council to children and young people supported by the **Disabled Children's Team** and **Leaving Care Team** within Children's Services, and by the **Transitions Team** within Adult Social Care.

It is entirely **strength** and **relationship** focussed in its ethos and design. Planning Live can be used to discuss and explore housing, independence, socialisation, engaging with the community, education, health, and work experience, volunteering or employment.

We create a space where young people set the agenda for a conversation about them, in search of what a good life might look like as they approach adulthood. Focussing on a young person's strengths and abilities, they are empowered to think positively and creatively about their options, whilst identifying the support that they might need to achieve these ambitions.

Supported by their personal and professional network, in a group or individual setting, we can escape 'formal' service land and identify more personal goals. But, Planning Live is **not** a formal social work assessment, and it is positive and fun!

Afterwards, young people receive a printed booklet as a record of the event that can be kept and shared with whomever they want, so that they do not have to repeat themselves over and over again.

Workers can use the event as a springboard for their relationship with the young person and will have a clear understanding of what is most important to the young person. This information should then directly inform the support they offer.

If you have any questions about Planning Live, contact your allocated worker or team.

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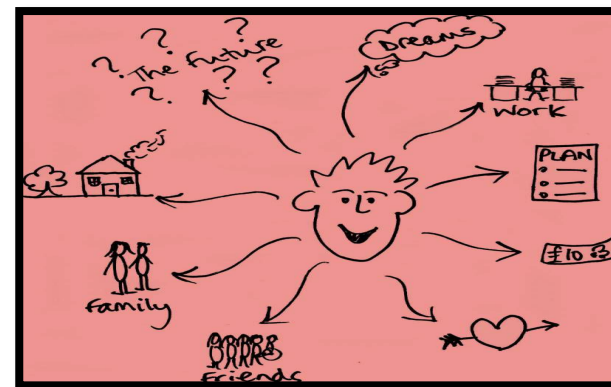


Your time, your conversation, your LIFE!

If you are 16 or older and are receiving support from the **Disabled Childrens Team, Leaving Care Team, or Transitions Team**, then you should have the chance to take part in a *Planning Live* event.

This is a fun event all about YOU. It's time to get together with people in a similar situation and the important people in your life. A chance to talk about your skills, talents and hopes for the future, and how you can be helped to achieve them.

It's **NOT an assessment**, it's a conversation, and a time for discovery.



What does it involve?

Understanding what you need to be able to live an enjoyable life and what steps you need to take to get there

What happens afterwards?

You will agree some 'next steps' with those involved in your event. You'll receive a booklet that includes the posters you create at the event.

So what?

If your workers know what you want from life, they can help you get there. This is a chance for you to be in charge and your views to be heard.

"It was about ME and MY future."

"I thought it was going to be boring but it was great!"



If you would like to hear more, please contact your social worker, pathway advisor or allocated worker.