

West Belfast Disability Services

Action Ability Belfast and
Kids Together



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Current Provision

- NIHE Supporting people Floating Support Service for people with physical disabilities and long term health issues
- Average of 20 accessing service monthly
- 2 support workers 20 hours per week
- 1 part time co-ordinator

Adult Service Delivery

BH&SCT:

- * Physical and health 40%

- * Intellectual disabilities 60%

(7 groups – 3 x art & craft, health & wellbeing, IT, drama grp, social group)

On average 85 people access weekly services

Befriending

- 19 people receiving befriending from 8 befrienders
- From two hours to over twenty hours per week
- 9 people receiving direct payments or pay privately
- 5 people on waiting list

Children & Young People

- 6 children/ young people weekly services
- St Michael's YC, Holy Family YC, Rosario, St Holy Trinity YC, Friday Social Grp
- 1 Aspergers group Corpus Christi YC
- On average 60 children/young people supported weekly

AOD Staff Structure

- 1 F/T Programme Manager
- 8 P/T Befrienders
- 4 P/T Project workers
- 1 P/T Advocacy Worker
- 1 P/T Social Inclusion worker
- 1 P/T Assistant project worker
- 2 P/T Floating support workers
- 24 Volunteers

Funding Source

- DSD/BRO under NR
- BH&SCT adults LD & PH&D, Family Support
- NIHE
- Direct Payments
- Bombardier
- Donations/ongoing fund raising

Mapping exercise

- S3 Solutions appointed to under take research

Aims

- To identify the number of people with a disability living in West Belfast
- Identify range of services available
- Identify gaps in services

Rational

- No hard evidence of need
- No overview or insight into available services
- Disability issues not directly targeted in action plans and outcomes