

People with learning disabilities in social housing and private rented homes on the Edges of Social Care



What's wrong?

People with mild or moderate learning disabilities have very **different experiences** depending on where they live.



They are often **overlooked** for housing and seen as complex and risky.

They rarely get enough formal support and have to **rely on** their **families**.



Experiences of renting

A lack of **accessible** and easy read information makes it difficult to find and apply for housing.



Social housing was **hard to access** and people couldn't always stay in private renting for a long time.



There is a lack of good quality housing in most places. People with mild or moderate learning disabilities didn't get much priority.

Experiences of support

Family is the main support but the community/voluntary sector can also be important in helping people with their housing.



It is **hard to get** formal social care support, and it is often limited and/ or short-term.

But housing works well when the support is **flexible** and focuses on what people can do (asset based).



What's needed?

More housing and more support.



Someone or somewhere to go to for **flexible** support, as and when needed.



Accessible choice based lettings.



Easy read information for tenancies and other things like letters, notices, or rent statements.

Better support for, and **checks on**, private landlords.



Better opportunities for the voices of people with learning disabilities to be included.



Housing and support providers need to work more closely **together**.

