



Getting A Life

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'Getting a Life'

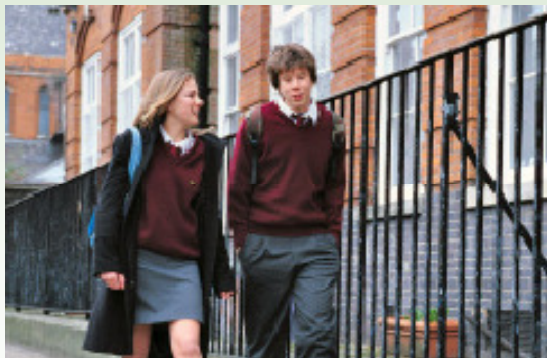


- People want paid jobs and full lives
- They want to sort out their life as one integrated set of decisions
- Services split people's lives into different sets of decisions and pots of money
- People still don't get a Life
 - Ministers want this to change

Some Basic Starting Points



- 1. This is about people with learning disabilities as defined by Adult Social Services**
- 2. We are focusing mainly on young people going through transition**
- 3. We are working within the current legal and policy framework (for now)**



About the 'Project'



- Four departments agreed funding for at least three years
- Project manager to co-ordinate and lead the work
- Small number of sites around the country to try things out
 - Learn from each other, demonstrate good practice and share wider
- Inform what policy changes are needed to make this really work



The Sites



Oldham



Herefordshire with Mi enterprise



Manchester



Somerset



South East with Kent and Medway



Norfolk



Richmond



ROC with Torbay



North Tyneside

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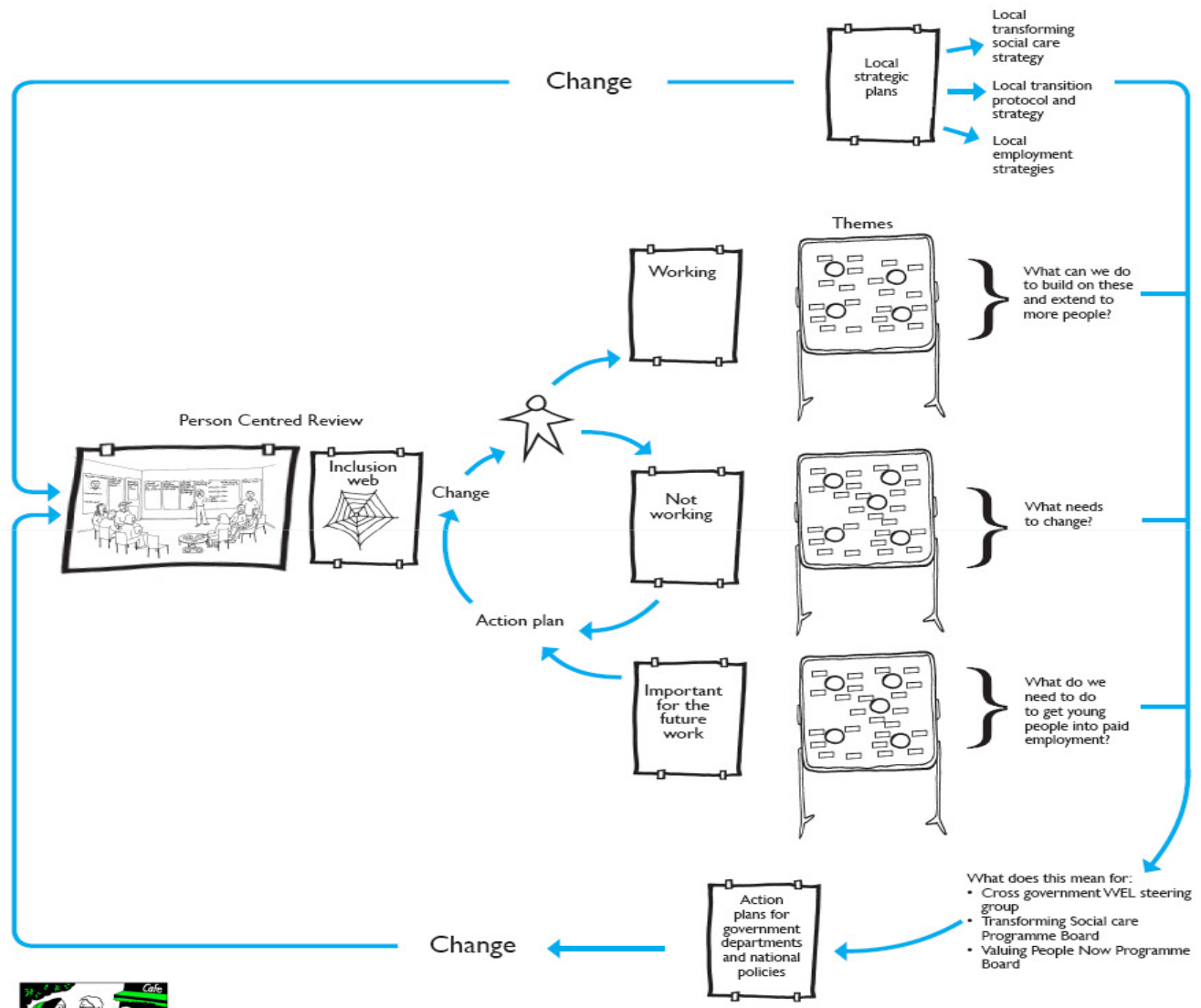
- Clear senior sign-up to try doing things differently
- Existing track record of person centred working
- Sign up from Adult Social Services, Children's services, LSC, Job Centre Plus
- Willingness to put in local resources



Development Programme

- **Person-centred assessment**
- **Person-centred reviews**
- **Person-centred approaches in post-16**
- **Young people's leadership**
- **Family leadership**
- **Inclusion web**
- **Evaluation – from person-centred reviews to strategic change**
- **Support for employment**

From Person Centred Reviews to Strategic Change



What are we learning ?

Low expectations and aspirations throughout the whole system

Discrimination - young people are not often offered work experience in year 10 or able to access the whole curriculum post-16

Lack of multi agency **person centred approach to young people's transition journey**

Lack of real attention to paid employment throughout the young person's education and a gap in effective employment options and support

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