

24th November 2023 Inclusion North News



Inclusion North will share an important news story and tell you about their own work here every two weeks.



The Chronicle Live reported on a new pilot scheme to help disabled people back to work in the North East.



The government pilot will be tried out in Durham and Sunderland.



It will look at the barriers which are making it difficult for people to go to work.



Disabled people will have a meeting with a health professional to develop a plan which will be shared with their Jobcentre work coach.



This means people can start to address any barriers before a Work Capability Assessment, which could help them into work quicker.



The Secretary of State for Work and Pensions said:

This pilot will help people to understand what they need to do to move towards employment through a simple and effective conversation.

Conference Planning



The Citizenship Team are busy working on their conference which is happening on February 8th 2024.



The team will be sharing the results from their work over the last 2 years where they have gathered the views of 404 people so far.



The team are really pleased that Simon Duffy and Wendy Perez have agreed to speak at the conference.



Simon and Wendy wrote the book Keys to Citizenship where they described how citizenship can work for all of us with a focus on people with a learning disability.



As well as having speakers and workshops at the conference, our Citizenship Leader Shaun, otherwise known as DJ Ridley will be providing music.



At the conference we want to share how people with a learning disability and autistic people feel about being citizens in the North East and North Cumbria.



We want to highlight some of the reasons people can't be active citizens and encourage people to take action to remove these barriers.