

Time for Change

The Challenge Ahead



Who I am



My name is Sir Stephen Bubb.

I am the big boss of ACEVO.

ACEVO supports the big bosses of charities and other groups.

What this report is about



This report is about care and support for people with learning disabilities and autism and their families.

In 2014 I was asked to work with a group of people to look at:

- care and support for people with learning disabilities and autism in England
- what needs to change

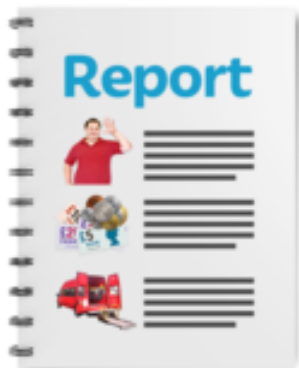




I wrote a report after that called Winterbourne View: Time for Change

The report said:

- hospitals where people with learning disabilities and autism live must close
- people with learning disabilities and their families should have more rights



This is my final report. It looks at what is happening to change things and what I think needs to happen next.



I asked lots of people with learning disabilities and autism and others what they thought before writing this report.

What is happening at the moment



5 years ago we found out about the bad things happening at Winterbourne View.

Winterbourne View was a hospital where people with learning disabilities and autism lived.



Some people were treated very badly there.



After that, the Government promised to move everyone who should not be in these hospitals to somewhere in the community.



The Government promised to do this by June 2014. This did not happen.



Things are changing. But there are still too many children and adults in hospitals like this.

Now some work is happening called **Transforming Care.**



It says that by 2019 there should be:

- many more people living in local areas instead of hospitals
- good care and support for people in their local areas so they do not have to go to hospital in the first place



People with learning disabilities and autism and their families should have a big say in this work.



People should also:

- get support to live in the way they want
- have a real choice about the care and support they get



To make sure this happens there is a new plan called **Building the Right Support**.



There is also:

- new information about what good care and support should be like



- a new way for local areas to work together

Local areas have to make a plan by April 2016 about how they will change things



People cannot just be moved out of hospitals.

They need the right support when they leave.

This must now happen. It cannot fail again.



People told me they think the Transforming Care work is a good idea.



But they worry that people will not get the right support for them.



There are some things I want to happen.

The most important one is proper checks to make sure the Transforming Care work happens.



I also want someone in charge of making sure all people with learning disabilities and autism in England get their rights.



There also needs to be:

- good staff with the right training
- teams working well together in local areas



- good housing for people



Making these changes will not be easy.

But everyone needs to work together to make sure things really change this time.

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What I want to happen next



These are things for the Government and local areas to do.



1. Local areas must show how they are going to keep people safe and well and stop people going to hospital in the first place



2. Staff should get good training in how to support people with behaviour that challenges.

These are people who may find it hard to show how they feel.



They may want to hurt themselves or others or damage things.

It is their way of showing that something is not right for them.



There is a new way to support these people.



Staff need training first. There should be rules to make sure this training is good and works well.



3. More people will move out of hospitals in the next 3 years.

The government should say how it will make sure local areas have enough money to make the changes they need to



4. There should be a new pot of money.

The money should pay for moving people out of hospitals and setting up good care and support in local areas.

Some extra money could come from companies and other groups.



5. The Government must make sure people with learning disabilities and autism can afford to live in their own homes with support.

They should not get less housing benefits money.



6. The Government must get a group of people to do proper checks of how the Transforming Care work is going.

This group should start work by August 2016.



7. The Government should get someone in charge of making sure people with learning disabilities and autism and their families in England get their rights.