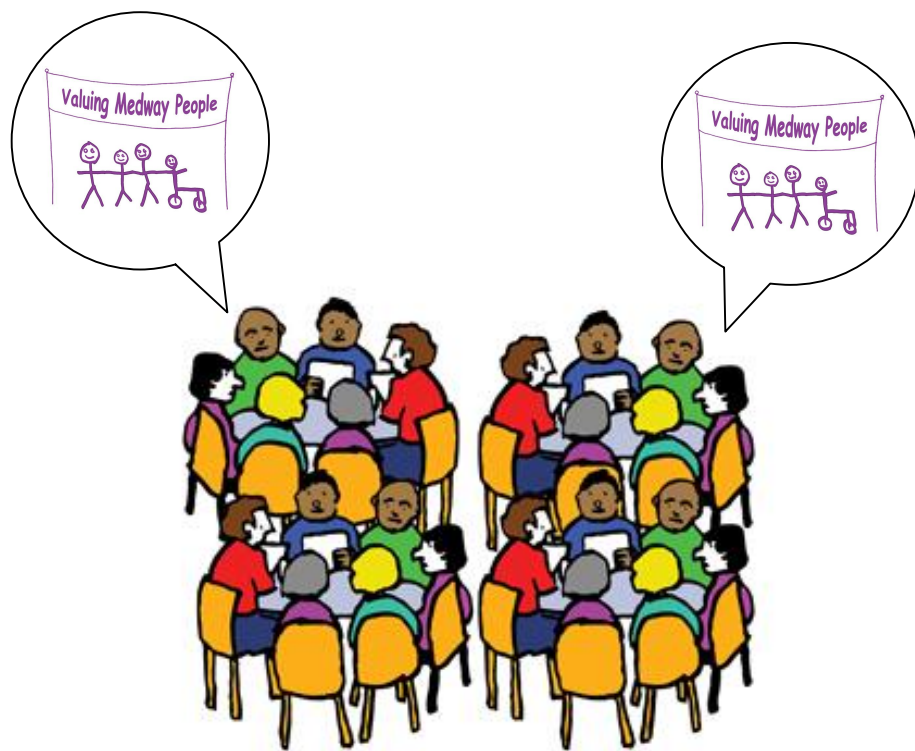


Forum for Adults with Learning Disabilities



Forum for adults with learning disabilities.

We had a meeting at Strood Library on 26th September 2008.

20 people came to the meeting.

Here are the names of the people who came to the meeting:

Kathy Johnson	Chair and Forum representative
Jason Terry	Forum representative
Rick Dartnail	Forum representative

Apologies from Robert Wilson

Betty Arnold
Mario Cuckow
Margaret Watts
Freda Brooker
Jimmy Baker
Pauline Hyder
Sally Bannon
David Ellis
Melinda Grahn
Jean Savage
Dee Ellen
Kay Meinhertzhagen
Micky Reynolds
Bev Reid
Colin Guest
Tim Guest



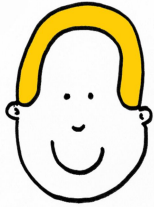
We talked about education and learning in Medway.

We have a report for the Learning and Skills Council.



Leading learning and skills

David Le Breton asked us to say what we want.



We said we want to learn for fun!



And we want to learn so that we
can:
Get jobs
Have money
Get a good life!



The information about College Courses is hard to find.

It is also hard to understand.

College courses can cost too much.



Short courses can be best for some people with learning disabilities.

Shorter days and shorter terms.



It can be upsetting at *College* when students pick on us.



It can be scary going by train or bus.



We have been told we can't do courses.



We are not sure people will be able to communicate with us.

But we all said "Yes!"

We want to learn

We want education

We want to go to college!

Here are just some of the things we want to learn:

To read

Gardening

To write

To use computers

To use money

Knitting and sewing

To cook

Mending things

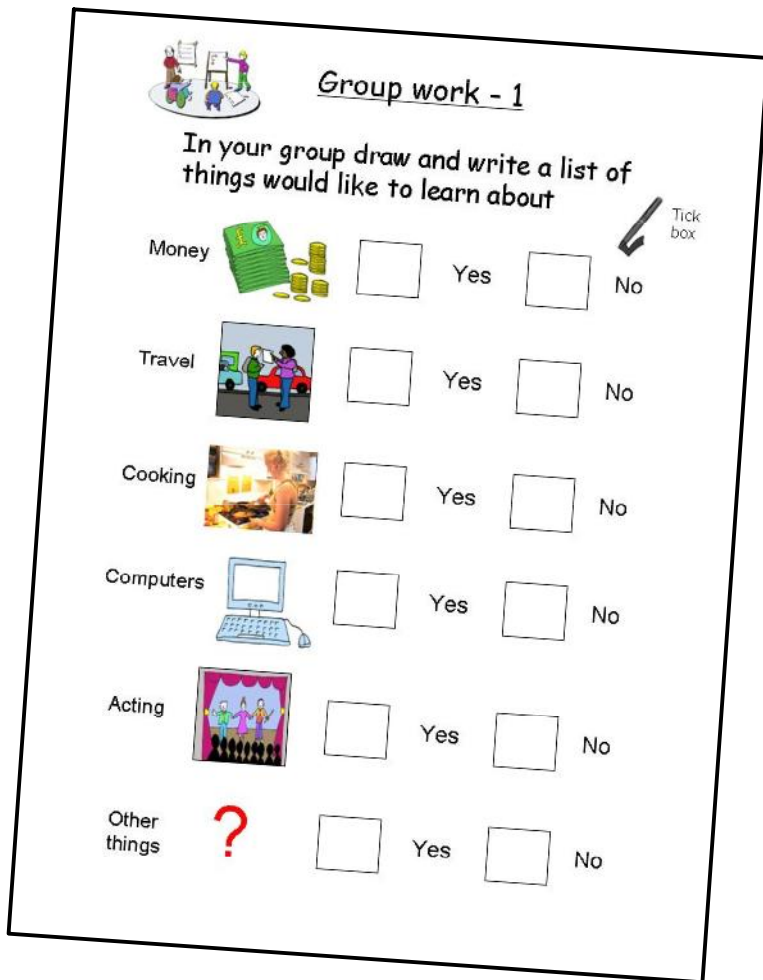
To act

Line dancing

Fitness


Singing


Assertiveness


A worksheet titled "Group work - 1" with an illustration of people at a table. The text says "In your group draw and write a list of things would like to learn about". It lists six categories: Money, Travel, Cooking, Computers, Acting, and Other things (with a red question mark). Each category has a small illustration and two empty boxes for "Yes" and "No" with a pencil icon and the text "Tick box" above them.


Group work - 1


In your group draw and write a list of things would like to learn about


Money  Yes No

Travel  Yes No

Cooking  Yes No

Computers  Yes No

Acting  Yes No

Other things  Yes No

Tick box



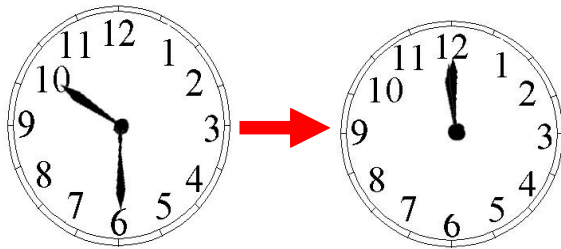
But some of us worry about getting it wrong.



We have not had opportunities that lots of other people have had.



So we would like to try new things out to help us make the right choices.



The next Forum will be
From 10:30am to 12:00pm

on Friday 7th November 2008

The New Art Centre
272 High Street
Chatham
Kent
ME4 4BP

Near to bus and rail stations.

Car parking is behind Chatham Debenhams
240 - 236 High Street, Chatham, Kent ME4 4NJ then a

short walk to the New Art Centre