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Good Life Alliance Manifesto 2026

What we want for people with a learning disability and autistic people

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About this manifesto

We are the Good Life Alliance.



We are a group of people and organisations in Wales.



We want people with learning disabilities and autistic people, to live with their families and communities.



This is our **manifesto**.



A manifesto explains our ideas and goals.



The Senedd Election is in May 2026.



This is when we vote for who we want to represent us in Welsh Parliament.



We want politicians and decision makers to think about this manifesto when making their own plans.

What we want

We want the next Welsh Government to do 3 main things:



1. **Bring people back home and stop them being sent away.**



2. **Build homes and the things people need to feel safe and happy.**



3. **Put funding and grants together to make it work.**

1. Bring people back home and stop them being sent away



We want people to live in the places and ways they choose. Where they feel safe and welcome.

This means:



- Make changes to bring people back to their communities.



- Move people out of faraway or unsafe places.



- Create ways to stop this from happening again.

How this would help

It would:



- Stop decisions and actions that ignore people's rights.



- Help people live good lives with freedom and choice.



- Stop unsafe or bad ways of working that can hurt people.



- Save money by lowering the number of people living in long term care.

What we want to happen

We want Welsh Government to:



- Set a goal to make this happen. The goal should include the views of:
  - people with learning disabilities,
  - autistic people,
  - and their families.



The Senedd should be kept up to date with what is happening to achieve this goal.



- Check and share the information we have about people living in hospitals, or away from their homes. This must happen quickly.



- Follow the ideas from the **Stolen Lives campaign**.



- Provide excellent local support. There should be safe, short-term places for people at risk. These places should respect people's rights.



- Check the rules and training for service providers. Services should respect people's rights.



- Provide good support wherever people live. Including support and breaks for families and carers.

2. Build homes and the things people need to feel safe and happy



This means:

- Plan and build homes and communities so people can live near where they belong.



- Make sure people feel welcome, safe and at home.



How this would help

It would:



- Stop people being sent far from home because there is no housing.



- Help young people plan for life as adults. Making sure they have options closer to home.



- Make housing safe, easy to get to and affordable. This includes:
  - Changing family homes to meet people's needs.
  - New social housing.
  - Support for shared living.

What we want to happen



Everyone should have a housing plan from age 14. This will help them move to adult services smoothly.



People's needs should be checked every year. So we know that they and their carers are getting the right support.



Housing and community plans should meet people's needs. They should support people with different things like:

- housing
- day activities
- short-term care
- and other local services.



People staying in hospitals for long times should be included in local homelessness list. This makes their housing a priority.

3. Put funding and grants together to make it work



We need joined-up health and social care funding. So getting the right support is simple and easy.

How this would help

It would:



- Keep people near home with support.



- Lower the cost of providing hospital care and out of area placements.



- Stop rules and money problems from keeping people in the wrong places.



- Give people who plan and organise care a clear plan, so they can spend money to create good community options.



What we want to happen



There should be national rules for health and social care money. The focus should be on what is best for the person.



Community living should come first. Where people can live at home or in supported living.



People should be able to use direct payments to make their own choices.



Join up funding from different places, like:

- Healthcare funding.
- Social care housing support grants.
- Care funding for people with learning disabilities and autistic people.
- NHS funding for Hospitals and places for long stays.



Why is this work important



Too many people stay in hospitals or care homes for too long.



Some people are sent to hospitals far from their families and friends. This can make them feel lonely and unsafe.



Reports show that people in these places are at higher risk of being hurt. Or not being cared for or supported.



Living in hospitals and care homes can cost a lot of money every year. The money could be used for good local services.



We need joined up planning and funding. Especially for health, care, and housing.



Community services that people need are not the same everywhere in Wales. We need to agree on what is needed and make services better.

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