

Solihull Shared Care

James' story...

"The people at The Children's Society were the only ones who understood my disability and helped me tell people about my feelings."

Area of work: Providing services to disabled children and young people and their families, in partnership with Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council.

How we do it: The service has evolved from a solely residential provision aimed at meeting family need, to a child-focused, rights-led partnership with the young people who use the service. The project is a resource centre which works towards empowering and enabling young people to "speak up, speak out" about the issues that affect them. It includes the most profoundly disabled who use different methods of communication. Disabled young people control their environment to make it what they want it to be, so they can be creative in expressing their views and getting their message across.

£20 could pay for a physical therapy session to help ease the pain of a physically disabled child.

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