



**COMHAIRLE NAN EILEAN SIAR**

## LOCAL AREA CO-ORDINATION



WORKING FOR INDIVIDUALS &  
FAMILIES IN THE WESTERN ISLES

## WHAT IS LOCAL AREA CO-ORDINATION?

A Local Area Co-ordinator works with individuals and families in communities.

Local Area Co-ordinator's help to find and build upon different kinds of support.

Local Area Co-ordinator's will support you if you want to make changes to your life.



LACs work with people and families throughout the Western Isles.

Local Area Co-ordinators work with your community to make things easier for you to get involved in community life.

They will help you to make the right choices for yourself and find the right supports to suit you.

Local Area Co-ordination originated in Western Australia and was introduced to Scotland as a recommendation of the "Same as You" Report 2000.

LAC has carried on as a Key recommendation of the "Keys to Life" Report 2013 and continues to be supported by The Scottish Commission for Learning Disabilities (SCLD) and The Scottish Government. LAC is now increasing in Local Authorities throughout the UK.

## WHAT DOES LAC WORK INVOLVE?

LACs work with people who have disabilities and believe that they have the same rights as

everyone else to be involved fully in the life of their community.

LACs believe that people with learning disabilities have the right to plan their supports with the people who are most important to them in their lives.

Families, friends and support workers are the best people to start with when planning your future.

People should have access to the best information when they need it and in a format that they understand fully.

The right information can help people make the right decisions about their lives and have a future where they are continually moving towards further independence.



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