

# SANDWELL SHARED LIVES

## Road to Overnight Respite

Sandwell  
**Shared  
Lives**

Sharing your home,  
sharing your life...

### INITIAL HOME VISIT

The Shared Lives team visit the individual and their family/carers to provide information of the service. The workers complete a funding tool to determine the banding and the cost of their service.

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### RECEIVE A REFERRAL

Sandwell Shared Lives team receives referrals from social workers, directly from carers and/or monthly meetings with Disability Day Opportunities.



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### FUNDING APPROVAL

The team submit costings to the social work team and await approval. Once approved, Social worker will incorporate the allocated nights and costings into the individual's support plan.



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### MATCHING

The workers complete an in-depth assessment of the individual including their care and support needs, preferences, likes, dislikes etc. All information is taken into considerations when matching with a Shared Lives Carer. We facilitate introductory meetings in mutual public places then visits to the carers home. We go at the pace that feels right for the individual. This process allows for more sustainable and long lasting placements.



### 5 PLACEMENT BEGINS

Placement begins. The individual is allocated a set number of nights by the social worker. This is monitored by the Shared Lives team. The team receive notification of planned stays from SL Carer



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### REGULAR REVIEWS

The Shared Lives team monitor, support and review the placement arrangement regularly. The team conduct regular appraisals and meetings. The team ensure all Carer's and their homes remain safe and effective due to being CQC regulated.

