

ROUNDTABLES ON THE FUTURE OF ADULT SOCIAL CARE



In November 2024, The Care Workers' Charity brought people together to talk about Social Care.

We choose a mix of people to take part.

This included:

- Small and big care providers.
- Local councils
- Charities
- Groups advocating for care
- People working in care homes, visiting people at home, working in day care and other settings



This helped us hear different ideas



It also helped us to understand the challenges in social care.

We talked about important topics:



- Care workers, people drawing on care, and unpaid carers should have a say.



- Social care should help people live full, happy, and independent lives.



- Care workers need good pay, chances to grow in their jobs and training.



- Social care should work with the NHS



- Social Care should be its own sector with its own funding



- Social care needs enough money to make things better in the long term.



- Society should respect and value care workers and people drawing on care.

People made recommendations:



- Listen to care workers, people drawing on care and unpaid carers



- Highlight how care supports people to live the lives they want



- Better career pathways, training and pay for care workers



- Long term funding for the care sector



- Value care as important to society



We want a social care system that values dignity, autonomy, and well-being for all.

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