

NEWSLETTER

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CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER 1191762

We are Haringey's only D/deaf and disabled peoples organisation. We are committed to embedding the social model of disability and the cultural mode of deafness, to build a society that accepts and accommodates everyone.

Disability Action Haringey are becoming the voice of the disabled community in Haringey through our members

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 Winkfield Resource Centre
33 Winkfield Road, Wood Green
N22 5RP

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Deaf Group Haringey MEETINGS

Every 3rd, Wednesday of the Month



NEXT MEETINGS

20th May 2026

2:30pm - 4:30pm

at

**Winkfield Resource
Centre, Winkfield
Road, Wood Green.
N22 5RP**

**Free refreshments
BSL interpreters
present**



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Deaf Group Haringey

DROP-IN SERVICE

The last
Wednesday of
every month.

1pm - 4pm

Next Drop in Date
29th April 2026

BSL interpreters
present

at

Winkfield Resource
Centre, Winkfield Road,
Wood Green. N22 5RP



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Social Model of Disability



Become an Ambassador for the Social Model of Disability in Haringey and join our regular group meetings
Held - Last Tuesday,
bi-monthly: March, May, July, September & December
2026

Next Meeting
26th May 2026
2:30pm - 4:00pm

at

Winkfield Resource
Centre, Winkfield Road,
Wood Green. N22 5RP



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DISABILITY ACTION HARINGEY CO-PRODUCTION GROUP

**FIRST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH
2:30PM - 4PM
(NEXT MEETING - 5TH MAY 2026)**

**WINKFIELD RESOURCE CENTRE
33 WINKFIELD ROAD
N22 5RP**

Join us for an engaging, collaborative session continuing to develop our terms of reference for the group and beginning to establish actions for delivery.

Light refreshments will be included, please RSVP to reserve your place.



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A Powerful Evening of Community, Voice and Democracy





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Disability Action Haringey (DAH) was proud to host a vibrant and inspiring Local Council Election Hustings on 8 April at the Winkfield Resource Centre and what an incredible event it was.

It was fantastic to see so many members of the D/deaf & disabled community come together, filling the room with energy, passion, and a shared commitment to shaping the future of Haringey. The turnout itself was a powerful reminder that our community is engaged, informed, and determined to be heard.

Putting Our Community at the Heart of Democracy

The hustings created a welcoming and inclusive space where residents could speak directly to local election candidates, ask important questions, and challenge them on the issues that matter most in our everyday lives.

From accessible housing and social care to transport, employment, and tackling inequality, the discussion reflected the real priorities of our community. What stood out most was the strength and clarity of the questions coming from the floor grounded in lived experience and a deep understanding of the barriers people continue to face.

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This is exactly what meaningful democracy looks like: our community speaking for ourselves, holding decision-makers to account, and demanding change.

A Strong Turnout and a Strong Message

We were especially pleased to see such a diverse range of participants from long-standing community members to people attending their first DAH event. The atmosphere was respectful, engaged, and at times passionate, reflecting just how important these issues are.

The event also reached beyond the room, with a livestream enabling more people to take part and follow the discussion. If you missed it, you can still watch the by clicking the link at the end.

By coming together in this way, our community sent a clear message:

D/deaf & disabled people in Haringey are engaged in the democratic process and our voices matter.

Thank You to Our Community

We would like to thank everyone who attended, contributed, and supported the event. Your participation is what made the evening such a success.



As a user-led D/deaf and Disabled People's Organisation, DAH exists to ensure our community's voice is heard and acted upon, working towards a more inclusive society where everyone can live with independence and dignity.

Haringey.

At DAH, we believe that real change happens when our community is at the centre of decision-making. Events like this husting are a vital part of that creating space for connection, accountability, and collective voice.

As the local elections approach, we encourage everyone to continue engaging, ask questions, and make sure your voice is heard at the ballot box.

Together, we are building a stronger, more inclusive

To Watch the Hustings

[CLICK HERE](#) 



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POWERUP 
with Inclusion London



One of DAH's Independent Living Advisors, Ella attended the PowerUP Together Event hosted by Inclusion London. The event discussed the history of the Independent Living Movement across the globe and its achievements thus far.

The panel analysed and discussed how these achievements were won for the disabled community. WinVisible, a multi-racial women's disability activist group, emphasised the effect of community-based care and the impact of disabled individuals having access to a strong community in addition to practical/monetary support, provided by the welfare state.



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The logo for POWERUP with Inclusion London, featuring the word POWERUP in large, bold, blue letters, with a small blue battery icon containing a white plus sign to the right. Below it, the text 'with Inclusion London' is written in a smaller, black font.

POWERUP 
with Inclusion London

There were discussions around the challenges being faced by Disability organisations across London and the importance of having Centres for Independent Living (CILs) in every borough to represent disabled residence effectively in larger politics.

The day concluded with discussing how we move forward with developments in welfare policies and how individual Deaf and Disabled People Organisation's can impact the greater political landscape of the UK.

About Direct Payments

Direct Payments gives you more choice and control over your care by letting you select your own support. Our staff can explain how Direct Payments work and help you get the service you want.

DAH offers comprehensive advice and support, including a peer support programme where you can learn from other disabled residents. We also advise on employing a personal (care) assistant—whether you're new to Direct Payments or already using them. If you're considering Direct Payments or just want to know more, we're here to help!

Drop-in Sessions

We're host drop-in sessions across the borough to make it easier for you to speak with us and ask any questions about Direct Payments or personal care assistance.





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Direct Payments User Forum

Join us for an Informative Event on Direct Payments



Tuesday, 28th April 2026



1:00 PM to 2:30 PM



Winkfield Resource Centre,
33 Winkfield Road,
Wood Green N22 5RP

We are pleased to invite you to this month's Direct Payment User Forum, which will include a presentation on the Renters' Rights Act, a discussion on Direct Payments, and a guest visit from Haringey Council's Direct Payment Team, who will provide an update on this year's new Direct Payment rate. We look forward to your participation.



Refreshments will be provided

For more information, please contact:

 0203 355 0071  directpayments@d-a-h.org  www.d-a-h.org

Direct Payments

We are here
to Help



Drop In Sessions 2026



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**Winkfield Resource Centre, N22
5 RP
(Every Tuesday)
2pm - 4pm**

**Neighbourhood Resource Centre,
N17 OHJ
(Second and last Wednesday of
the month)
9:00 am - 11.30 am**

21st April

29th April

28th April

13th May

5th May

27th May

12th May

10th June

In addition to the above, there will be Drop in's at:-

Ermine Road Day Centre 1st Tuesday of every month - (By Appointment)

Haynes Dementia Hub 1st Wednesday of every month - 1pm to 3pm

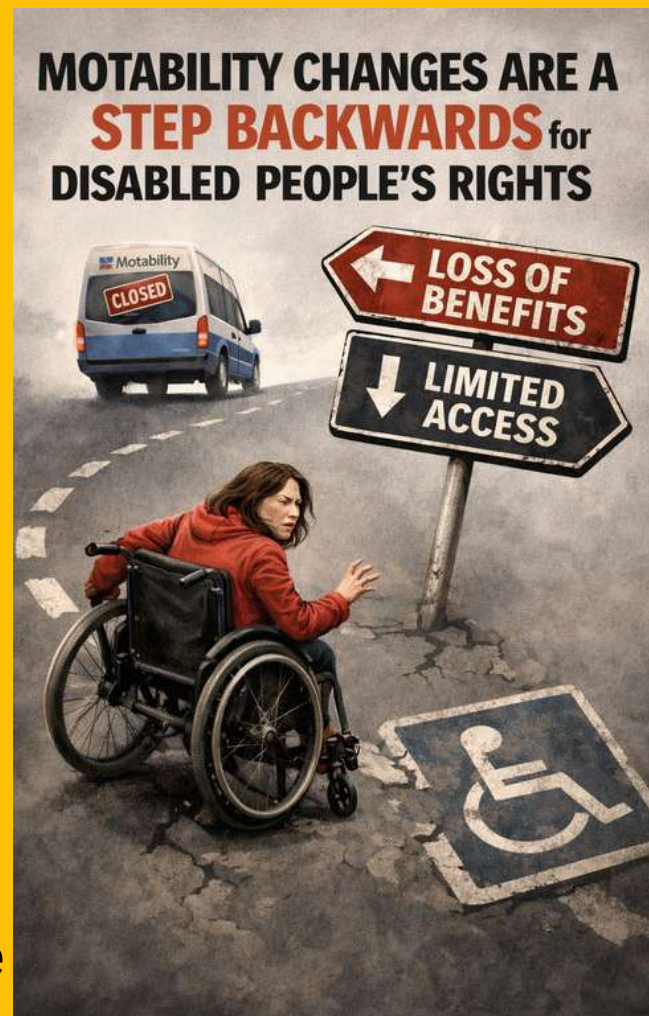
Queenswood Medical Centre 1st Wednesday of every month- 11am to 12:30pm

Motability Changes Are a Step Backwards for Disabled People's Rights

At Disability Action Haringey (DAH), we are extremely concerned by the changes to the Motability Scheme due to come into effect from July 2026. Let's be clear: these are not minor adjustments. They represent a significant rollback in the support that enables D/deaf & disabled people to live independently.

For thousands of people, Motability is the difference between participation and isolation, employment and exclusion, independence and reliance. Weakening that support is not a technical change it is a political choice.

The reduction in mileage allowance, increased excess mileage charges, tighter limits on tyre replacements, and new fees for travel abroad. These changes disproportionately affect people who already face the greatest barriers those who rely on their vehicle for work, care, medical appointments, and simply to live their lives.





This is fundamentally at odds with the Social Model of Disability. Disabled people are disabled by barriers, not by their impairments. Accessible transport removes those barriers. These changes are reintroducing those barriers.

We are particularly concerned about the narrative underpinning these decisions that these reductions reflect “typical usage.” Disabled people’s lives are not “typical,” and policy based on averages will always fail those with greatest need. A scheme built on independence cannot be reshaped around restriction without consequences.

Let’s also be honest about the wider context. These changes do not exist in isolation. They come at a time when D/deaf & disabled people are already facing sustained pressure from rising living costs, barriers to employment, and ongoing uncertainty in the benefits system. The cumulative impact is not just financial it is about autonomy, dignity, and rights.

Framing this as a necessary response to rising costs shifts the burden onto disabled people themselves. That is unacceptable. If government policy is increasing the cost of running the Scheme, then the solution cannot be to quietly erode the support people depend on.



There has been a failure here to meaningfully engage with D/deaf & disabled people and their organisations. Decisions that fundamentally affect people's independence must be co-produced not imposed.

At DAH, we believe this sets a dangerous precedent. If schemes designed to support independent living can be scaled back in this way, what comes next?

We are calling on Motability Operations and the Government to urgently reconsider these changes, to engage directly with D/deaf & disabled people, and to commit to solutions that protect not undermine independence.

Because independence is not a privilege. It is a right.

Planning on voting by post?



If you want to vote by post in this year's local election, you must first apply for a postal vote.

Postal vote applications need to be renewed every three years, so even if you have voted by post in previous elections, you may still need to apply again this year.

The deadline to register for a postal vote is 5pm on Tuesday 21 April.

In order to apply for a postal vote, you need to be registered to vote before the voter registration deadline at 11:59pm on Monday 20 April.

FIND OUT MORE >

Join the Closet Clear-Out



This Spring, join Traid's Closet Clear Out and donate with intention. Your wardrobe can change lives!. By passing on your best-quality pieces, you can help turn your clothes into real impact – funding projects that are changing fashion for good.

Before you donate, follow the Closet Code:

- Is it clean and ready to wear?
- Would you buy it second-hand?
- Would you gift it to a friend?

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Florentia Village: new workspace opens



Florentia Village has opened, providing new flexible workspace for local businesses.

The site includes industrial units and workshops ranging from 300 to 15,000 sq ft, as well as a café and shared courtyard areas.

The workspace is intended for a mix of uses, including fashion and textile production, food businesses, artists, designers and other creative industries.

Units and coworking spaces are now available. Residents and local businesses can visit to find out more about the space and how it is being used.



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Have Your Say

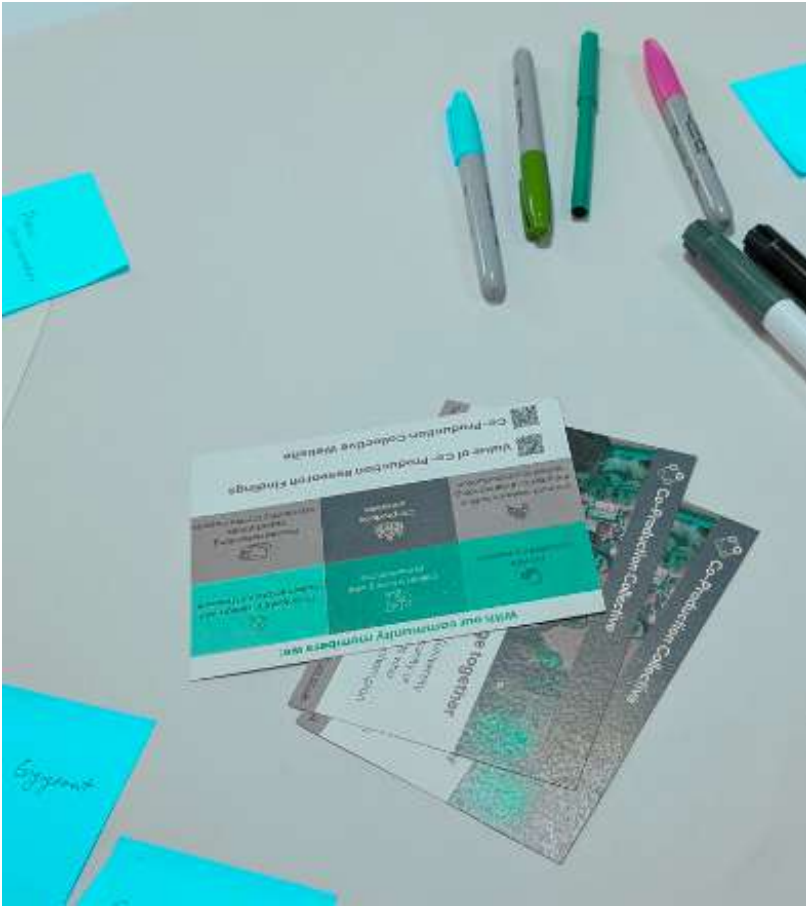


At Disability Action Haringey, we are committed to ensuring that the voices of disabled people are heard and valued in shaping the services and policies that affect their lives.

This section shares opportunities to get involved—through petitions, surveys, public consultations, and feedback requests from local and national organisations.

By taking part, you can help influence positive change, promote inclusion, and ensure that decisions reflect the real needs and experiences of the disability community. We encourage you to engage with these opportunities and make your voice count.

Help Shape Our Newsletter



We would like our newsletter to be produced through co-production, with you, the members of Disability Action Haringey. This is your opportunity to contribute to the content and information shared within the newsletter.

We would be extremely grateful if you would share any articles, community events or news stories that you feel will be of interest to the other members of DAH.

Our newsletter is produced on or around the 15th of each month. Can we ask that any content for the newsletter be shared with us by no later than the 3rd of each month for consideration.

Please email your material to us at - info@d-a-h.org

Cooperation Haringey



Kin Cooperative is launching a project to connect neighbours and strengthen cooperation across Haringey, helping tackle the cost of living and create more opportunities for residents and workers.

To shape the project, they want to hear what matters most to you.

Fill in the survey before Sunday 31 May 2026 for two chances to win £100. It includes questions about interest in food cooperatives, where bulk buying can save up to 40 percent on supermarket prices, as well as savings clubs.

Two Haringey respondents will be selected at random if 100 responses are received by Sunday 31 May 2026. Please spread the word to help reach the target.

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Your Seven Sisters



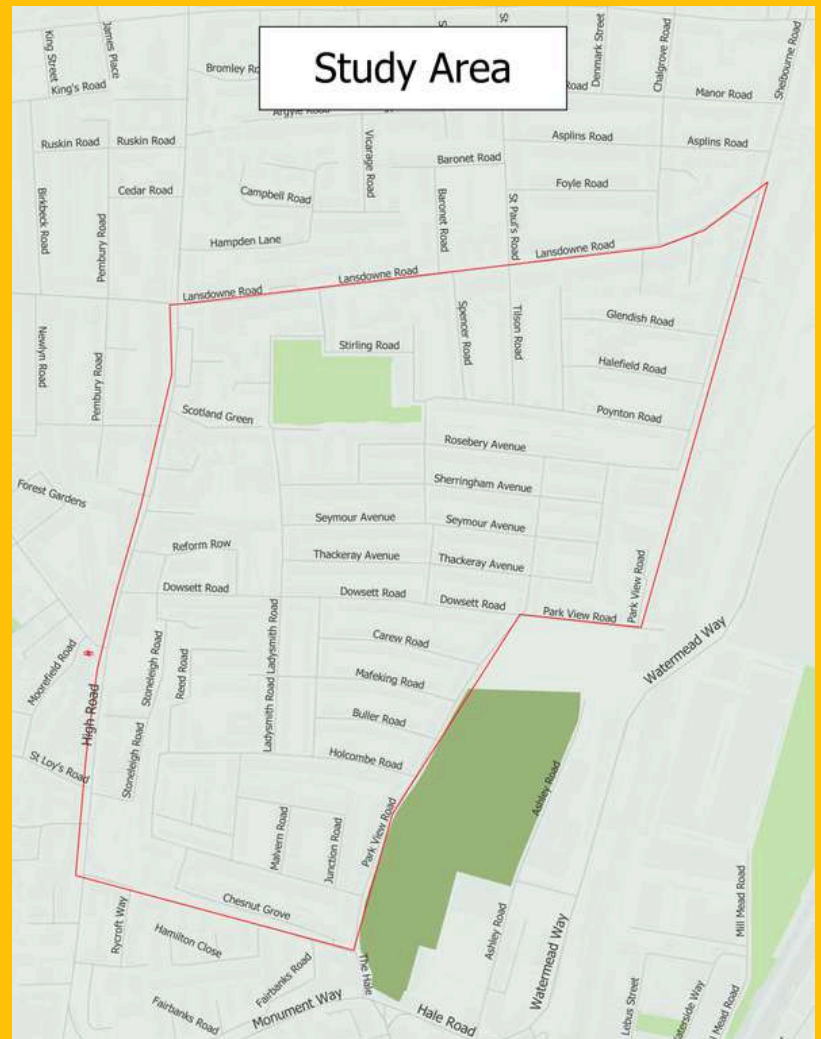
Your Seven Sisters is relaunching in late spring 2026. The project began in 2024 but stalled before work could progress. We're now restarting with a newly appointed team of designers and creative specialists who will help shape how the streets, public spaces and artwork should look. This new phase will be more focused, more collaborative, and developed closely with the community. Your Seven Sisters will focus on West Green Road, the streets linking it to Seven Sisters Road, and Tottenham Green.

The project will deliver:

Improvements to streets and public spaces, New public art
Clearer signs and wayfinding. A stronger identity for Seven Sisters as a gateway to Tottenham



Hartington - Down Lane Traffic & Transport Review



Residents living and working in the Hartington Park and Down Lane Park area have raised concerns about traffic and road safety. To understand whether these issues are shared more widely, we are launching a public engagement so we can hear from the community.

We want to hear your experiences pe the future of the area. Tell us what you think by Friday 1 May 2026.

[CLICK HERE](#) 

Motorcycle safety consultation

We want to make roads safer for everyone in Haringey. Every year, on average, 200 riders of motorcycles, scooters and mopeds are injured on our roads, and we want to stop these collisions from happening.

Motorcycles, scooters, and mopeds are all powered two-wheelers (PTW). For this survey, we are calling them all by the common name 'motorcycle'.

Riders: tell us where you find it unsafe to ride in Haringey and help us stop collisions on our roads.

Your feedback can help us identify:

- locations where riders feel unsafe or have come across hazards
- common road safety issues across Haringey
- potential solutions or ideas for improvements
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The information you provide is confidential and will directly inform our road safety plans, helping us take targeted action.

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**People
need
Parks**

Haringey Parks Young Women's Network



Find out more
and apply here

Are you 16 – 30 years old and interested in:

- Joining a network for young women in Haringey
- Helping to make our parks safe, welcoming spaces for women and girls
- Coming together with like-minded young women to effect change?



Haringey Parks Young Women's Network

Get involved in:

- ☑ Sharing your ideas on how to make our parks safe and welcoming spaces
- ☑ Influencing the design and layout of our parks
- ☑ Producing events and activities
- ☑ Developing new policies and procedures
- ☑ Engaging young women across the borough.

Share your experience and develop your skills in:

- ☑ Advocacy
- ☑ Consultation and engagement
- ☑ Communications
- ☑ Design
- ☑ Event management
- ☑ Fundraising
- ☑ Project Management and more!

Meet 10 times a year, paid at the London Living Wage.



**Find out more
and apply here**

Go Green Eco Urban Festival 2026

Monday 1st June - Tuesday 30th June

Give to Gain

**A Borough-Wide Celebration of Sustainability,
Culture & Community**

Eco Health & Wellbeing Fair
Energy & Fuel Saving Advice
Zero Waste Culinary Cooking
Green Skills Sharing • Retrofit Homes
Sustainable Fashion • Eco-Training



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GLA-FFRP

Do you need help with the following:

- Income Maximisation
- Housing
- Debt
- Employment



To be eligible for self referral you should be a family, Families – refers to low-income families with children or a care leaver under 25 years of age.

citizens
advice

Haringey



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**To Self-Refer please scan the
QR Code**



**240 people wake up
to the impact of a
stroke every day.**

Stroke support in Haringey Working together to support recovery

Call 0303 3033 100 or email helpline@stroke.org.uk.

We also offer trusted stroke information online or by post, and a moderated Online Community where stroke survivors and carers can connect with others who understand stroke first-hand: onlinecommunity.stroke.org.uk.

Contact your local Haringey Stroke Support Coordinators
Hannah Halton - hannah.halton@stroke.org.uk |
07764 907546

Emely Markstedt - emely.markstedt@stroke.org.uk | 07961
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With the right support, recovery is possible. We're here to ensure people affected by stroke in Haringey don't have to face recovery alone.

Competition

Want to win a £10 Gift Card of your choice? Simply spot the deliberate mistake in our April 2026 newsletter!



Submit your answer and gift card choice by 3pm on the 10th May 2026, and one lucky winner will be selected at random.

The Gift Card can be collected in person at Winkfield Resource Centre, or received by email, as an electronic gift card.

Submit your answer to:

Telephone: 0203 355 0071 / Email: info@d-a-h.org

Post: Disability Action Haringey
Winkfield Resource Centre
33 Winkfield Road
Wood Green
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How You Can Help DAH



Please help Disability Action Haringey WIN
from an epic £3,000 prize fund!

Sign up today

Epic £3,000 Refer to Win!

Every new supporter who joins gives
us a FREE entry into the giveaway.

Please take a moment to help Disability Action Haringey WIN one of three donations from a £3,000 prize fund in #easyfundraising's new epic Refer to Win giveaway! We'll get a FREE entry for each new supporter who signs up, so please get involved if you haven't already!

It's quick, easy and completely free!



How You Can Help DAH



We truly value your feedback and participation in everything we do for our community.

If you would like to be involved in any of the activities and events in this newsletter, then please don't hesitate to get in touch.

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