



## Background

Established in 1984, PIP is a friendly, accessible and dynamic local provider of quality health and social care in west London. Our mission is to support adults with learning disabilities and autism to achieve their potential. We help people to develop skills for independence, and care for people with a wide array of different support needs.

Walk through the door of PIP and you are greeted with an energy and warmth that makes you smile! Everyone at PIP is totally committed and passionate about the work we do, and we ooze enthusiasm.

There's never a dull moment, we are constantly trying to break down barriers, do things differently and make the people we support and their families proud. PIP offers a flexible and dynamic range of services, including accredited training and education, travel training, independent living skills, social and emotional development, employment skills and work placements, and support into mainstream education. PIP provides personalised support, and we have a well-established reputation for putting our students at the centre of everything we do.

PIP has significantly increased its capacity to cope with the growing population of adults with learning disabilities. We have generated higher personal budget income and been successful in fundraising from grants, corporates and events. We have recently launched our new social enterprise [“Fruitful”](#), which provides employment opportunities for our students and brings PIP into the community:





## “Project Beanstalk”

Thanks to the success of our service, we now need to grow to help more people from our oversubscribed waiting list. Our premises are no longer sufficient for the numbers of people who want to come to PIP – or the type of training we want to offer. Many of our students – and our prospective students – also have mobility challenges and we can’t offer lift or full wheelchair access.

Over the last 12 months we have reviewed the range of services we want to provide and have launched “Project Beanstalk” to identify new premises to complement our existing facilities. This is an exciting time for PIP, with fundraising underway and early commitments being made from key supporters.



*Our beanstalk campaign brochure*



*Some PIP students who will benefit from Beanstalk*



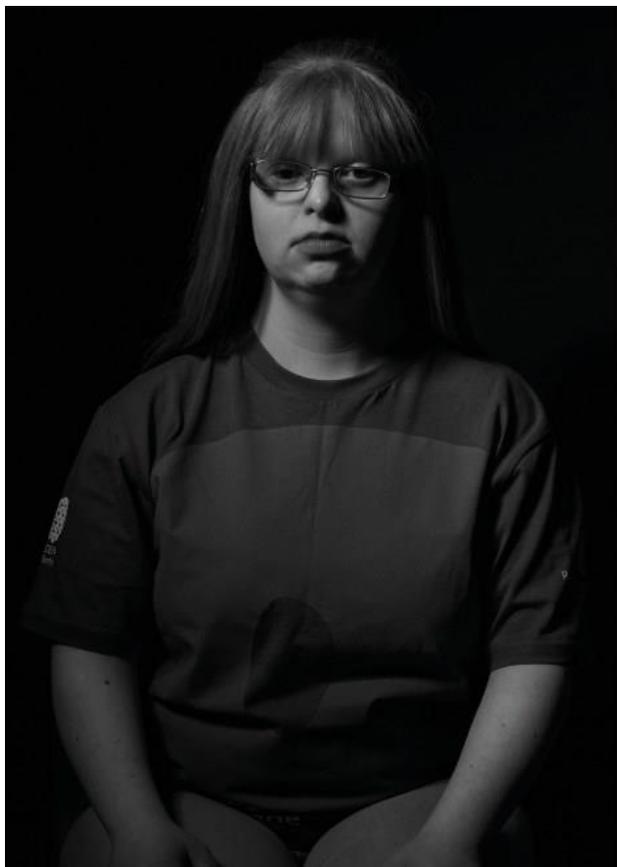
## The Trustee Opportunity

PIP's recent success has been underpinned by strong management, with the development of a skilled management team over the last few years, and by sound governance and oversight from the Board of Trustees.

Our Board comprises 6 committed Trustees including the Chair. They have a mix of backgrounds, across the voluntary and private sector. A number of vacancies will arise over the next two years as some of the Trustees finish their term of office. We are therefore looking to recruit two new Trustees to join the Board during 2018.

A passion for the sector and for improving the lives of young adults with learning difficulties is the overriding qualification. Experience of operating at Board level or as a Trustee is obviously helpful as is any specific expertise or experience in relevant fields – finance, the learning disability sector, fundraising, marketing and communications. We expect all our Trustees to be actively involved in our fundraising efforts and to use their networks, contacts and enthusiasm to generate support for PIP.

If you want to contribute to a vibrant local charity, have relevant skills and experience, together with strategic vision and a creative approach, and can commit up to 10 days a year, we would like to hear from you.



NO: 1088592

**Lauren wants to go travelling.**

**On the Northern Line.**

Or the Central Line. Or even the Circle Line, for that matter.

Having mastered the bus, she can travel from home to college now and is keen to see a bit more of the world.

Like Oxford Circus.

This may not seem very intrepid to you but if you've never taken the tube on your own, it's every bit as exciting as a trip to Thailand.

But not as hot. Unless it's rush hour.

Please help us give other people like Lauren the chance to 'stand clear of the doors, please'.

**Text LAUR03 £10 to 70070 to donate to PIP and make a difference today.**

[piponline.org.uk](http://piponline.org.uk)





## Next steps

To find out more about PIP:

- Visit our website [www.piponline.org.uk](http://www.piponline.org.uk)
- Follow us on [@PIPLDN](https://twitter.com/PIPLDN)

To discuss the Trustee opportunity please contact:

[trustees@piponline.org.uk](mailto:trustees@piponline.org.uk) and one of our current Trustees will be pleased to discuss the opportunity with you or answer any questions about PIP

We can also arrange for you to visit PIP in W9 and to meet the PIP students and team.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Tim Matthews

Chair