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Halifax MP Praises Social Care Service

A HALIFAX social care service welcomed a visit from its local MP last week who wanted to learn more about the services on offer and how individuals with complex needs are supported.

Halifax MP Holly Lynch visited Beckly House, on Cooper Lane, a specialist residential service, to hear about the work it does to support individuals with learning disabilities and complex needs. She praised the "passionate" staff for the high quality care they provide.

She toured the facility, run by leading social care provider Cygnet Health Care, and spoke to staff and service users during. Residents and staff even were delighted to bake for Holly and treated her to their homemade gingerbread.

Olanrewaju Yusuff, Service Manager for Beckly House, said it was a "pleasant and positive" visit for everyone at Beckly House.

He added: "Residents enjoyed chatting with Holly with one saying to her that he would like her to come and work there. Another resident stated that she was happy that Holly had come to see her and told her all about her Christmas presents and Christmas themed room.

"It is really important for us to welcome guests and share more about the work we do here. We encourage and enable the individuals we support to lead a full and happy life. We work with them to ensure they have more choice and control in their lives. We find out their strengths, abilities and preferences so that the care provided can be as person-centred and meaningful to each individual as possible.

"We were really pleased to be able to share our work and future plans with Holly. Having local support for the work we do is vital and we are also grateful to the local community and our neighbours for the links we enjoy with them as it helps with our service users' recovery and reintegration."

Talking about the visit to Beckly House, Holly added: "It was brilliant to visit this fantastic facility that provides such important support for those with learning disabilities and other complex needs. I would like to thank the staff who took the time to speak with me, they are incredibly hard-working and passionate people who go above and in the care of their residents.

"I look forward to keeping in touch with staff and residents at Beckly House to hear more about exciting plans for the future."

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About Cygnet Health Care

Cygnet Health Care has been providing a national network of high-quality, specialised mental health services for the NHS and local authorities for the past 30 years.

Cygnet Health Care's pioneering services support people with complex and acute mental health needs across the UK.

As one of the best quality providers in mental health services in the country, Cygnet Health Care's focus is always on the best outcomes for those who use or commission its services. 85% of Cygnet's facilities are rated as good or outstanding, which is above the national average.

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