# STRENGTHENING DISABILITIES

ST. MICHAEL'S HOUSE Services For People With Disabilities

Creating a Rights-Based Model of Service

# WHAT IS THE STRENGTHENING DISABILITIES PROJECT?

St. Michael's House are delighted to secure funding to develop our Strengthening Disabilities Project.

Aligning with our new Strategic Plan, the overall aim of the Strengthening Disabilities Project is to create an active rights-based culture within SMH (with a particular focus on the UNCRPD Articles 12 and 19) & the necessary supporting structures to implement & sustain these successfully.

This project will take approximately two years and will focus on three project strands as outlined below;



#### **SLT - Total Communication**

Our Speech & Language Therapy team will develop & implement communication supports to service users, families & staff in order to assist the development of a rights-based model of service



## **OTC - Training & Education**

In collaboration with the Open Training College, our Rights Education & Training Team will develop, implement and evaluate education & training inputs into developing a rights-based culture within St Michael's House.



## Volunteer Programme

A volunteer programme will be set up and take a community network approach. By involving local people as volunteers, we will create a robust volunteer network that can support service users achieve their goals.

**Q** We will continue to update you as the project progresses