### How Does It Work?

A Broker would spend time getting to know the person, their current lifestyle and how they might want this to change.

The Broker would then explore means to provide the support through their knowledge of communities and existing networks.

Where someone is eligible for statutory services a Broker can assist the person to explore Self Directed Support Options so the person can make the best decision for them.





# **GET IN TOUCH**

The Support Choices team are based in Dunkeld at:

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At Support Choices, we prioritise safety while providing our services, and we strive to accommodate the communication preferences of those we work with.

This includes offering options such as in-person meetings, phone conversations, or video calls.



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# COMMUNITY Brokerage



Support Choices are working in partnership with Perth and Kinross HSCP to deliver social care using a Community Brokerage approach.

#### What Is Community Brokerage?

Community Brokerage can assist people who have social care needs to think about what support might improve their lives and then help them access this.

# Where Would the Support Come From?

The support might be available within the community such as groups or organised activities, it might require application for funding through grants or Independent Living Fund or it may require access to statutory service. (ilf.scot)



"I never knew SDS existed and I would never of had the time or the knowledge to know where to begin with applying. To have this amazing support and service along with someone who has a wealth of knowledge is an amazing support. I know I couldn't have done this without them."

"[Our broker] was magic, it really did work terribly well...I felt relieved, felt there really are people out there who can help us and we're going to find out who they are."

"I just felt like I could connect...she understood me. She told me how we'd go about it and she set up a plan."

"It was kind of a relief to have someone who was steering the ship. I didn't know where to go and there wasn't a lot of support. I'm getting more concrete answers from [our broker]. She's been really professional and will help where she can."

#### What Is Brokerage Not?

Brokerage is not independent advocacy, a payroll service or a social prescribing service.

#### Is There a Cost for Community Brokerage Support? No.

# How Can You Refer Someone for Brokerage?

Contact Support Choices at **01350 729130** or by email at **info@supportchoices.co.uk** 



