

Case Study



Big Picture Planning

As a result of their Big Picture Planning, John, his parents, sister and his sister's friend have met to think about what kind of life they would like for John to develop in his first year out of school.

John and his family will work out how he can be supported more in the family home so that he can use his funded support to develop his communication skills and make some connections in his local community, particularly in relation to his love of music. John is hoping that he might find a role in a local music store, promoting a local band or in a community radio station. John's family also need to know that they can get on with their weekly routines which means that John will require support for 20 hours Monday to Friday and a minimum of 3 hours on a Saturday morning.



Assessment of Need

John's parents assisted him with the assessment to determine his eligibility for funding from Disability Services.

John was assessed as eligible for

3.01 Learning and Life skills development (Service Category 3. Community Access)

1.01 Personal care

2.01 Therapy support for assessment and training in relation to communication equipment. (Service Category 2. Community Support)

7.04 Other support – to purchase communication equipment to assist with communication and socialization (Service Category 7. Other Support)

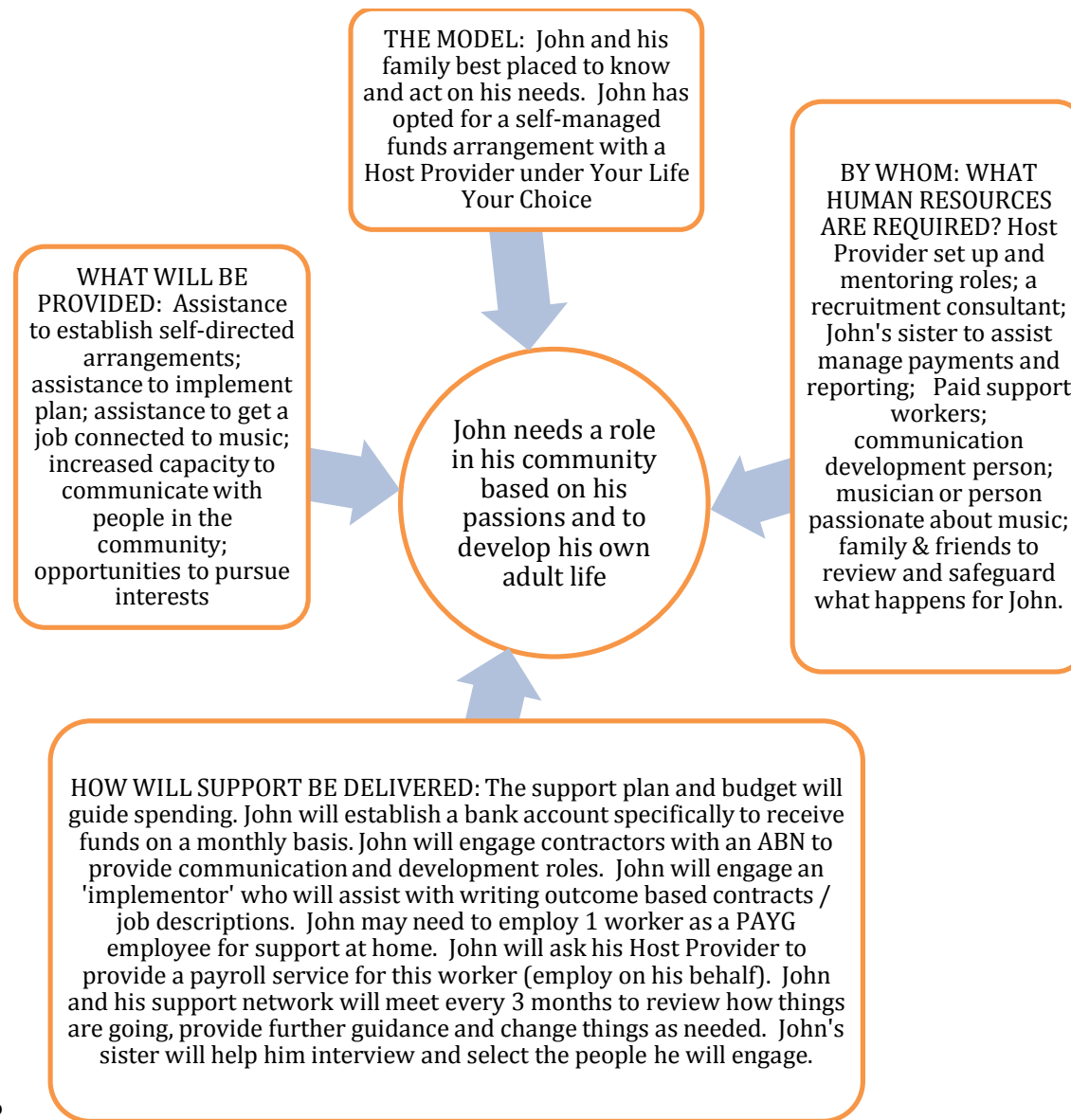
4.01 Flexible Respite (Service Category 4. Respite)

Read [Specialist support eligibility](#) for information from Disability Services about assessment and eligibility.

Read [Priority level and linking to support](#) for information from Disability Services about how funding is decided.

Funding is allocated

John was fortunate that funds were available to be allocated to him after his assessment. He received \$25,000 as Support for School Leavers funding.



What does self-direction need to look like for John?

Develop a Support Plan

Under Your Life Your Choice, even though the funding has been allocated as Support for School Leavers, John will be able to spend his funding on any item listed under category 3 Community Access which also includes accessing and inclusion in mainstream sport and recreation activities. John can also purchase supports that fall under categories that he has been assessed as needing. For John this means he can purchase items that fall under Community Support, Respite and Other Support.

This means that even though John was funded for Support for School Leavers, he will be able to put all aspects of his plan into action under the Your Life Your Choice framework.

Support Plan for: John Smith

Date: 1/1/14

Vision from Big Picture Plan: As John grows into adult life, he will remain a valued family member and start to develop his own identity in his community through making connections with people in local places and have greater opportunities to use his own voice.					
What is the support	How will it be achieved	Who will assist	Payment / Costs Involved (est.)	Supports and Services output codes	Service Categories
John requires a communication device to allow him to use his own voice	John will undertake a Speech Therapy assessment to identify the most appropriate communication device and funds will be used to purchase device	Speech Therapist for assessment and initial training	\$1000 for device \$500 for assessment and training Total cost \$1500 one off	7.04 Goods & equipment to support communication & socialisation 2.01 Therapy support for individuals	7. Other Support 2. Community Support
John has opportunities to develop skills in using communication device and developing relationships in his community	John will engage a communication facilitator to develop John's skills and the skills of the people John interacts with to communicate with each other.	Communication facilitator	2 hours per week @ \$40 per hour X 24 weeks per year Total cost per annum: \$1920	3.01 Learning and life skills development	3. Community Access

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John will be engaging on a regular basis with people who share his passion for music.	John will engage a person who has a similar interest in music and has some connections in the local community	A local musician or music lover. Initially a research person or recruitment service to assist finding the right person	5 hours one-off for research and recruitment @ \$30 per hour 5 hours per week @ \$30 per hour x 48 weeks per year. Total cost per annum: \$7350	3.01 Learning and life skills development (this could also be justified under 4.04 flexible respite as this includes social activities and day outings)	3. Community Access (4. Respite)
John will obtain a role/s in connection to music	John will have opportunities to volunteer or job trial in 3 different places connected to music industry – music shop, radio station, band management with the aim of obtaining work for 8 hours per week	Employment service	8 hours per week x 12 weeks to trial different roles @ \$30 per hour Total cost \$2880 one off.	3.01 Learning & life skills development	3. Community Access
John will have opportunities to develop new skills	John will engage a support person to assist with daily house chores, personal care and developing routines similar to a young man his own age	Support worker or contractor	10 hours per week @ \$28 per hours x 52 weeks per year Total Cost per annum: \$13440	1.01 personal care	1. Accommodation Support
John will self-direct his support with the assistance of his family	A Host Provider will be engaged and John will self-manage his funds		6% of funds \$1500	2.066	2. Community Support

John and his family are aware that he may need to meet part of the one-off costs or reduce the number of hours of support he uses

Total cost of support
\$24210
Plus \$4380 one off costs

Review Date:



What the Host Provider does next:

The Host Provider is required to submit a Your Life Your Choice Host Provider service type form to show that they have developed a plan with the person for their supports and funding. This form details what will be purchased. The outputs on this form will be included in the host provider's service agreement and will be used for financial acquittals. The Host Provider would assign a consultant to assist John to set up the arrangements for self-managed funds and the system to employ one worker.

What John does next:

John starts to engage the people he requires to begin to put his big picture plan into action. John's family provide receipts and tax invoices to the Host Provider to meet the negotiated requirements.