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Hello,

I am writing to you to show my support for Plus Forth Valley.

I have worked for PLUS both full time and session for 5 and a half years, even moving further a field, it's a place I cannot part with.
Plus isn't just a place, it's a community, a family, a safe space for young people and adults who attend the service. People make PLUS, but we also need a place for our work to continue!

Plus is vital to so many people's lives, young people and young adults who attend, families, carers. Plus provides day to day 1:1 care for parents/carers who have to work or need respite this is often within our building. We do work with children with a range of learning disabilities, health needs and Health condition's which can be challenging to deal with and often parents/carers and families need some support which plus offer. Plus also provides events in a safe space where our young children and adults can socialise, build confidence, learn new skills and simply play! Plus offers a wide range of activities and with a new space, this could expand even more. If PLUS was successful with the asset transfer, there would be wider scope of activities available, the new location would still be central and accessible for families to attend and being able to have the majority of our groups in the one place would be a wonderful positive! We currently do have to have different groups in different places that we have to rent (costing the charity more money) as our space simply is not big enough for more than one or two groups to be going on at a time.
Plus needs to continue to be a safe space, therefore we need Plus to have a secure location, which we know will be ours!

Parents often find it hard to trust people with their children when they have an LD, health condition etc, but parents and carers that use our service trust PLUS and know that they will be safe in our care. Respite for a few hours a day or a week can make the smallest difference to our parents/carers and the young people themselves.

I could not be a bigger advocate for PLUS if I tried! The young people we support, the families we work with and the staff team around this amazing organisation is simply wonderful.

As an employee, I am truly so grateful to be working for PLUS, I am able to support wonderful children and young adults and help them gain new skills, confidence and watch them grow.

Kind Regards,

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