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Durham County Council are looking for suitable accommodation and staffing (whether this be residential/supported living or other) to support a 24year old male with mild learning disability, cerebral palsy, epilepsy and who has an emotionally unstable personality disorder.

He can display challenging behaviour when in distress and has displayed extreme verbal abuse and physical aggression to self and others when in difficult situations.

He does have a great sense of humour, is passionate about animal rights and social injustice and enjoys social activities.

The staff team will need to be dynamic and enthusiastic in their approach to the possible challenges with supporting this individual and the team need to be passionate about improving the lives of people with a learning disability.

The staff team will need to be resilient and flexible and be able to adapt to the daily complex situations this individual will present.  The team needs to be consistent and non judgmental, and will also need to be able to withstand the high level of pressure and have a flexible approach as new challenges arise.

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