Collaborations at Caxton House
In early August Lauren Jones, Regional Coordinator for the Junction Box Programme, represented Wave-length at the Disability Action Alliance project group meeting in London.

Wave-length are helping to address what is currently being done and what more can be put into place to support those facing barriers due to disability gain and maintain long term employment or self-employment.

Our wonderful Junction Box attendees offered their support in preparing for the DAA project meeting which resulted in some powerful thoughts and suggestions which were presented to DAA members and, more importantly, it meant the voices of real people facing challenges due to disability were heard and considered.

Supporting Telford & Shropshire Autism Hubs!
Over the past couple of months we have also been working with both the Telford and Shropshire Autism Hubs, delivering I CAN motivational sessions to their service users. These sessions have been full of positive energy and it was great to see that we were starting to boost confidence and moral by then end of just one session.

We have also been liaising with the Autism Commissioners for both areas to learn more about their Autism Strategy and how we can work together to continue to motivate and support those with Autism when thinking about meaningful occupation.

What else has been going on?
We had the pleasure of Paul Hinkins, Chair of the Telford Business Board, getting involved in one of our workshops. Our attendees gained valuable information through Paul’s wealth of knowledge and own experience as an entrepreneur.

“I had the pleasure of being asked to speak at a Wave-length event for the Junction Box Programme hosted by Lauren Jones. The approach is one of being methodical in delivery and uses initiative to develop effective solutions and recommendations to make things happen. As a result the attendees developed an self-awareness and confidence which resulted in the group being willing to learn and grow. Teamwork is important and the Junction Box Programme is without doubt based on interpersonal skills and attendee group communication.

I have no hesitation in recommending Junction Box to any individual or organisation who wishes to engage on a very worthwhile programme.”
Paul Hinkins

We are also delighted to report that our attendees have been making great progress towards their meaningful occupation. Some of them have officially started up their business and started to trade with support from the NEA programme and the Permitted to Work Programme. With the help and support of the Junction Box team and their peers, our attendees have excelled with their business development and self-belief! A big well done to our attendees and the much deserved progress that they are making!

Want to learn more?
If you would like to learn more about the Junction Box Programme, or find out more about our weekly information sessions held at Job-Centres within the Telford area, then please contact Lauren via the email address below.

Email: lauren@wave-length.org.uk  Phone: 01952 670404  See our workshops in action: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mNuAZIElx9k