

To whom it may concern

Re: 'Support for the creation of a new play'

I am writing to confirm that we are supporting Rich Chilver and Neil Jones (of Packing Shed Theatre) in the research of a new play. Neil approached Headway Essex to seek advice on addressing the topic of stroke and to arrange ongoing conversations with our clients.

We met with Rich and Neil to ensure the project broaches the subject of stroke respectfully and are happy to proceed together. Rich will attend ongoing sessions with our clients, both in our office and where possible in the community. From what we understand, the project aims to accurately depict stroke and as a result increase awareness on the condition. This would cover hearing personal stories from our clients as well researching the information on the causes and effects of stroke.

The arts are a wonderful way to raise awareness of our work. We worked closely with the makers of 'Recovery', a drama shown on the BBC featuring David Tennant. It was a highly beneficial experience which drew many to seek our support.

Headway Essex wish Rich and Neil all the best with the project and we hope it will be a success.

Yours faithfully

Andy Plowright, Service Manager, The Headway Centre