

CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

Progress and Challenges

Q.1 Do the findings of the evaluation broadly reflect your views about services for people with learning disabilities/carer?

Yes No

Please provide any comments, evidence and/or examples here

MY ANSWER IS BASED ON MY EXPERIENCE AS THE FATHER OF AN ARTISTIC SON NOW IN HIS LATE 30s.

Q.2 Can you give examples, either locally or nationally, of what you think has worked well over the last 10 years of *The same as you?*

Please provide any comments and/or examples here

I AM AT A DISADVANTAGE HERE IN THAT I BECAME AWARE ONLY RECENTLY OF THE "SAME AS YOU?" POLICY & CONSULTATIONS SO CANNOT MAKE A 10 YEAR COMPARISON. CERTAINLY DISABLED ^{PEOPLE} ARE BETTER TREATED GENERALLY & HAVE MORE OPPORTUNITIES

Q. 3 Can you give examples of issues in current work and/or policies that still need to be addressed?

Please provide any comments and/or examples here

HELP & INFORMATION ARE AVAILABLE BUT ACCESS TO BOTH STILL NEEDS TO BE IMPROVED. OUR LOCAL CAREERS ASSOCIATION HAS BEEN MORE HELPFUL TO MY FAMILY THAN SOCIAL SERVICES - THIS IS NOT HOW IT SHOULD BE.

Good Practice – Organisations

Q. 4 Can you provide examples of what you have done over the last 10 years, within your organisation, to improve services and access to services within your local area?

Please provide any comments and/or examples here

I AM NOT IN ANY ORGANISATION

Good Practice - Individuals

Q.5 What have you done, as an individual, to make positive changes within your local area?

Please provide any comments and/or examples here

BOTH MY SONS HAVE SEVERE PROBLEMS
AND MINE & MY WIFE'S ENERGIES
HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED IN TRYING
TO ACCESS SUPPORT FOR THEM.
HOWEVER, WE HAVE MADE OUR
FEELINGS KNOWN WHEN DEALING
WITH BUREAUCRACY BUT NOT IN
A PUBLIC WAY.

Future Priorities - Healthcare

Q.6 What still needs to be done to ensure that people with learning disabilities have access to better and more appropriate healthcare?

Please provide any comments and/or examples here

MORE FUNDING, MORE FRONT-LINE
WORKERS, LESS "CLIP-BOARDS" CARRIERS,
MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE
TO CARERS.

Future Priorities - Education

Q.7 What still needs to be done to ensure that people with learning disabilities have access to better educational opportunities?

Please provide any comments and/or examples here

I HAVE INSUFFICIENT KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT IS AVAILABLE TO BE ABLE TO COMMENT

Future Priorities – Independent Living

Q.8 What still needs to be done to ensure that people with learning disabilities are able to live independently?

Please provide any comments and/or examples here

MORE SUPPORT WORKERS & MORE FUNDING SO THAT THE COST OF SUPPORT CAN BE REDUCED & MORE SUPPORT TIME BOUGHT.

Future Priorities – Employment

Q.9 What still needs to be done to ensure that people with learning disabilities have access to better employment opportunities?

Please provide any comments and/or examples here

MY ARTISTIC SON HAS HAD LITTLE DIFFICULTY IN FINDING WORK BUT SO MUCH EMPLOYMENT NOWADAYS IS PART-TIME & CONTRACTS ARE OF LIMITED HOURS. I DOUBT IF ANYTHING CAN BE DONE UNDER THE PRESENT ECONOMIC CLIMATE.

Future Priorities

**Q.10 What other future priorities do we need to focus on?
(Please list these in order of importance with the most important first)**

Please provide any comments and/or examples here

MORE CAREFUL CONSIDERATION AS TO A PERSON'S SUSTAINABILITY FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING.