Question 1

Do the things in the easy read consultation report reflect your views and opinions about services for people with learning disabilities?

(Please tick your answer)

☑ Yes ☒ No

You can put any comments about this question here.
Question 2

What do you think has worked well over the last 10 years for people with learning disabilities and family carers?

This could be changes in your local community or all over Scotland.

Please write your answer here.

I have enjoyed attending my day centres, both at Chancellor Lodge in Dumfries and at Rutherford Square in Kelso. I enjoy seeing my friends and I’m glad I don’t have to travel on a bus to Dumfries in the morning now though and walk to Rutherford Square instead. I have enjoyed being involved in my local community, particularly to the Kelso rugby games on Saturdays. I enjoy going shopping and banking with my support worker and getting a car has been great as it has helped me to have days out of Kelso. I also enjoy the Bud Club at Kelso rugby club every month.
Question 3
What do you think still needs to be done by the Government to make the lives of people with learning disabilities and family carers better?

Please write your answer here.

I feel that the government (or local authority) could look at improvements in my town's infrastructure - I find it difficult walking on the cobbles in my town and I feel the pavements could be improved in places and that there could be more help on the pavements for my walker i.e. lowered areas for my walker to cross the road easier. I find steps difficult and feel that some of the local facilities could be more disabled friendly.
Question 4 - (this question is for organisations only)

- What have you done in your organisation to improve services for people with learning disabilities in your local area?
- What have you done in your organisation to improve access to services for people with learning disabilities in your local area?

Please write your answer here.

We have reduced transport time for adults with learning disabilities by opening a day centre within the town in which they live rather than a town 20 miles away. All service users I have spoke to have said that they prefer not to have to travel this distance on a bus.
Question 5
What have you done to make things better in your local area for people with learning disabilities and family carers?

Please write your answer here.

Reduced transport times and created a more flexible, community integrated approach to supporting service users. Reducing the dependence on the use of a day centre environment but increasing involvement in locally based activities in the town instead.
Question 6

What do you think needs to be done to help people with learning disabilities get access to good healthcare?

Please write your answer here.

I'm happy with my current healthcare so don't see I can answer this.

I can answer this.
Question 7

What do you think needs to be done to improve access to better education and learning for people with learning disabilities?

Please write your answer here. I see that college courses could be better advertised and more accessible. It would be good to have more information about courses for adults with learning disabilities and maybe open days for these too.
Question 8

What do you think needs to be done to help people with learning disabilities live more independent lives?

Please put your answers here.

For someone to be able to work directly with me on a 1 to 1 basis to help me increase my skills of daily living. To independently attend social events for example. I'd also like to be given more time to myself within my own flat rather than staff always being there.
Question 9

What do you think needs to be done to help people with learning disabilities get jobs?

Please write your answer here

I think that employers need to be more aware of the value of learning disabilities in the workplace. So there should be a specific jobs magazine for me and my friends who would like to work, so that I can see which jobs are available to me. Funding for employers to take on adults with learning disabilities along with support workers who specifically work with me on skills within my workplace.
Question 10
What do you think are the things we need to do in the future to make the lives of people with learning disabilities better?
Please write the most important things first.

Please write your answers here.

To work on skills to increase independence to access more and have greater opportunities. For the government to invest more in learning disabilities to ensure we have a good quality of life and experience the same as others.