

Equality



We will make sure that we treat people fairly when developing a new fund. When we are developing the new fund we will check that we are making a fund that is fair.



Question 7

For people to live independent lives it is important that people are not unfairly treated or feel unequal.

Do you think that there are any issues that might make people feel this way?

For example, this could be because of their disability or religion.

How do you think we can improve things for people who feel unfairly treated or unequal?



Question 1

What parts of the current Independent living Fund worked well?

Please write your answer here:

It increased the opportunities my son could have, helping him with his 24/7 support access outings & learning opportunities.



What parts did not work well?

Please write your answer here:

There were no areas that did not work for him.

Question 2

When people no longer receive ILF, how should the money then be spent?

Should it be spent in the same way? Yes No

If not, how do you think the money should be spent?

Please write your answer here:

Obviously it cannot be spent same way as there is not enough money.

The anxiety is the money given to Local Authorities will not be ring-fenced, and that applying & receiving will become a lottery.

This in all likelihood will mean for some people their lives will not be so enriched and their independence will be affected.



Question 3

If ILF is not going to continue, how would you like to see the money used?

Please write your answer here:

The money is allocated equitably and is designed in a way that people can access it to help them continue to access life enhancing opportunities. The criteria should not be about paid support or "outcomes" based. We do not live our lives to meet/achieve outcomes; we live our lives to be able to enjoy, share, create opportunities, friendships and activities. The money should stress normal living.

Question 4



Can you think of any ways to help increase the money that there is to give disabled people support?

Please write your answer here:

There are many creative ideas that would help people access more than just paid support or expensive resources but local authorities are so risk averse and media afraid that they limit what could work well. (See InControl's website for examples).

Question 5



My House

How can we use the resources available to help people live more independent lives?

What is the most important thing that we need to do to help people live more independent lives?

Please write your answer here:

Listen to the people and not rely on professionals interpreting what they think people need or want.



Question 6

When the Scottish Government are given funding, what model do you think will be the best for Scotland?

Please write your answer here:

- One that puts people at the heart of the decision making.
- One that is not so tied up in bureaucracy or red tape that the money is lost in administrative costs.
- One that is needs driven and is a partnership

Question 7

For people to live independent lives it is important that people are not unfairly treated or feel unequal.



Do you think that there are any issues that might make people feel this way?

For example, this could be because of their disability or religion.

If people cannot communicate verbally they are often ignored.

People assume everyone with a disability should only access disability led groups — Why? Make Scotland truly accessible so regardless of ability you can take part.



How do you think we can improve things for people who feel unfairly treated or unequal?

See above