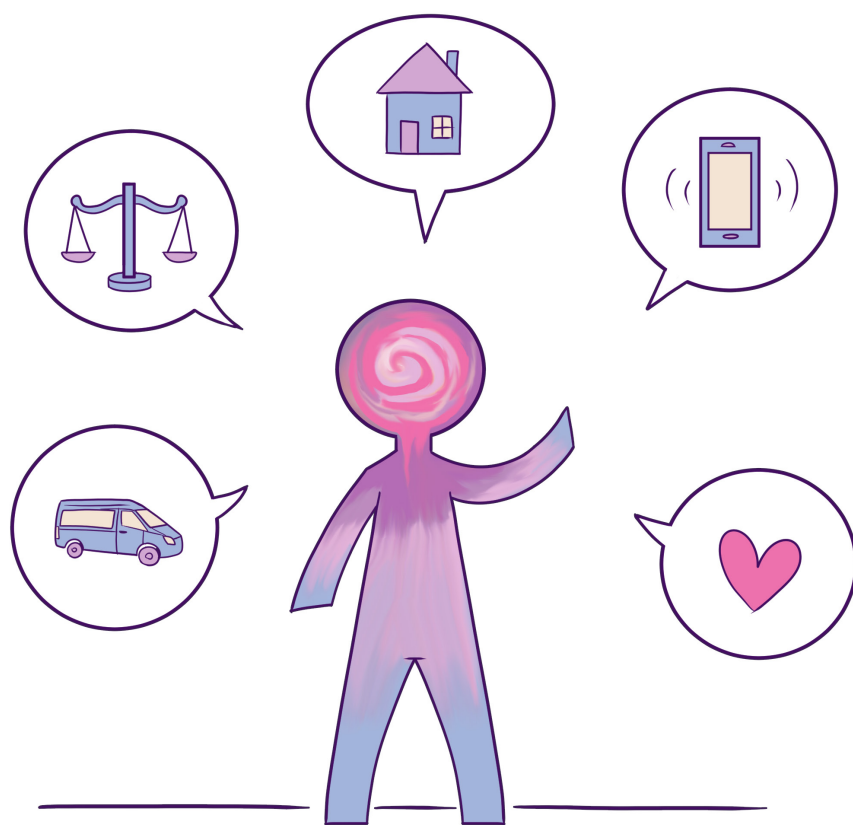


# Learning Disabilities, Autism and Neurodivergence Bill: **How to Answer**



# Learning Disabilities, Autism and Neurodivergence (LDAN) Bill

## How to Answer



### Easy Read



A consultation is very important for making new laws.



The consultation gives information and ideas about how to make Scotland better for neurodivergent people and people with learning disabilities.



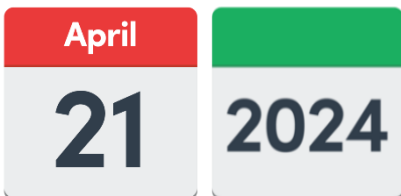
It asks you what you think of these ideas.



A consultation helps the Scottish Government collect many people's views and listen to expert advice.



The Scottish Government want to know what you think by Sunday 21st April 2024.





Please ask others to answer the questions in this consultation too.

It is important to get lots of people to answer the questions.



Your answers could help:

- Choose the better options for neurodivergent people and people with learning disabilities.
- Find out which areas need more work to help neurodivergent people and people with learning disabilities.
- Make new laws about the rights of neurodivergent people and people with learning disabilities.
- Finalise legislation before it becomes law.



You can answer all questions, or you can answer some questions.



You might only answer questions in the parts of this consultation that you think are important to you and your life.



All responses will be looked at along with other available information to help make decisions.



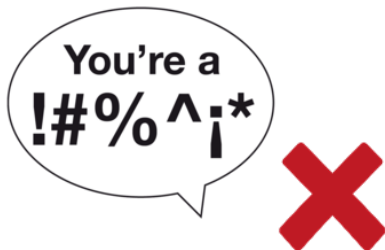
The Scottish Government will write a report using information from all the responses.



You will be asked if you are happy for your answers to be in the report.



If you give permission and your response does not have any **harmful content**, it will be made public at [Scottish Government consultations - Citizen Space](#).



**Harmful content** includes using bad language, making unfair and untrue comments about individual people or groups and sexual language.



The Scottish Government never publish email or postal addresses.



If you do not give permission for your answers to be published, the Scottish Government will respect this and treat your response as private and confidential.



But your response might be subject to the **Freedom of Information Scotland Act 2002**.



**Freedom of Information Scotland Act 2002** is a law that means information from the consultation may be made public if someone asks for it.



Individual problems raised in a consultation may be useful and you might want to send these directly to a public body.



If you have any problems or are unhappy with something to do with the consultation, you can raise this with the Scottish Government.



For information on how to make a complaint please visit:

[Make a complaint - gov.scot](http://www.gov.scot)  
([www.gov.scot](http://www.gov.scot))

## How can I answer this consultation?



There are 3 ways you can answer the questions in the consultation:

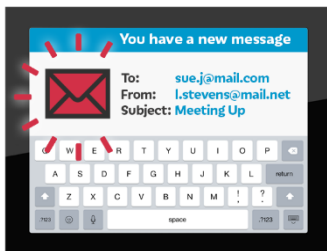
- online
- by post or
- by email.



## Online



You can answer online on the Scottish Government's consultation hub at [Scottish Government consultations - Citizen Space](#).



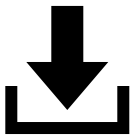
If you use the consultation hub to answer, you will receive a copy of your answers by email.

## Post



You need to post your answers in 2 forms:

- Answers Part 1: About Me  
and
- Answers Part 2: Questions



You can download the Answers Forms from the Scottish Government website: [Scottish Government consultations - Citizen Space](#).



Or you can email [LDAN.Bill@gov.scot](mailto:LDAN.Bill@gov.scot) to ask for the Answers Forms to be sent to you.



Put the 2 filled-in Answers Forms in an envelope and write the address on the front.



The address is

**FREEPOST – LDAN BILL**

Please make sure the words are all in CAPITAL letters.



This is all that is needed to post your answers **free of charge**.

**Free of charge** means you do not need a stamp.

## Email

You must include your answers to Answers Part 1: About Me in your email.



You can do this by either:

- Attaching the form Answers Part 1: About Me to the email
- or
- Including the answers to About Me in your video or audio answers.



You can give your answers to consultation questions by:

- in writing
- British Sign Language (BSL) video
- a video
- an audio file.



You must still answer all the questions in the Answers Part 1: About Me form. You can write these or say these and send with your email.



You can email your answers to:

[LDAN.Bill@gov.scot](mailto:LDAN.Bill@gov.scot)



The deadline for sending your answers to the Scottish Government is:

**Sunday 21st April 2024**