

Submitted to **1. Autism and learning disability as disabilities (easy read)**

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Autism and learning disability as disabilities

Disability instead of mental disorder

What could happen to Sam in future

Main idea 1

1 What do you think about the idea?

I have mixed feelings about the idea

Why do you think that?:

(Some of the group liked the idea but most were unsure because they didn't fully understand the idea.)

A bit confusing. Changes can be confusing for people who have a learning disability.

Does Sam need to be in hospital? She is better at her own home.

The new law helps Sam to be listened to more than her family.

You should never be made to be in a hospital.

Intellectual impairment is a complicated word to understand.

You can't be disabled some of the time but not all of the time.

Don't understand "sometimes being disabled" - it is not a choice and is lifelong.

Not clear at all.

Without reading whole legislation, hard to know what it says.

Agree with the objective of legislation but have reservations.

Learning disability is not a mental disorder. It is completely different.

Not sure about the word impairment. Disability is a life-long condition.

2 Could this idea be made better?

Yes

How could this idea be made better?:

Need to explain "impairment" more clearly.

Don't understand how people can be sometimes disabled. It is lifelong. This is confusing.

People should have more say than their families. Families shouldn't decide things for people.

Main idea 2

1 What do you think about the idea?

I have mixed feelings about the idea

Why do you think that?:

(Some of the group liked the idea, others were not sure because they didn't understand the idea fully.)

Agree with the objectives but have reservations.

Without reading whole legislation hard to know what it says

People should be listened to and treated with respect. You need to get to know me to understand what I need and want. Other people don't know what i know.

The shoes I'm wearing are mine not yours.

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About you

1 What is your name?

Name:

Edinburgh and Lothian Involvement Network

2 Do you live in Scotland?

Yes

3 Are you taking part as an individual person, as a professional or as a group of people?

A Group

4 If you are taking part as a professional, what is your profession?

Profession:

5 If you are taking part as a group, what is the name of your group?

name of group:

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6 Do any of these apply to you? You can tick as many as you want.

I am a person with learning disability, None of the above

7 Do you want us to publish your response?

Yes please publish my response anonymously

If you want to say anything else at all please say it here:

This response represents the variety of views expressed by attendees at the meeting of the Edinburgh & Lothian Involvement network meeting on 23 October.

Some people liked the idea, others were not so sure.

The term impairment was not understood by some people.

The suggestion that being disabled was not permanent confused some people.

More work needs to be done to explain the thinking behind the idea.