

Inclusion Gloucestershire and Barnwood Trust's Easy Read Statement on the National Disability Strategy



The **National Disability Strategy** is the government's plan to make life better for disabled people across the country.



We think it makes a start, but there is more work to do.

We think that it is good that the government wants to:



- work more with disabled people to make plans and run services
- make sure everyone has the same chances
- give disabled people more choice and control



But we don't think that the **Strategy** (Plan) goes far enough.



We want to understand better how the people who took part in the consultation about this plan, have shaped it.



Disabled people still face many barriers that should already have been addressed, like removing barriers to public transport and work.



To do the things in the **Strategy** (Plan), the government will need money. It is not clear that they have enough money.



We are worried that some of the issues in the **Strategy** (Plan) have been problems for a long time and it will take more than the government working together to fix them.



We think that the government needs to have bigger dreams for its plans for disabled people.



We would like plans around checking that places are accessible.



We would like plans around not carrying out lots of Personal Independence Payment (PIP) assessments for people whose condition isn't going to change.



We are pleased that the government will tell everyone how they are doing against the **Strategy** (Plan) each year.



We hope that the government will check that the plan is still right for disabled people, and make it bigger and bolder.

Inclusion Gloucestershire and Barnwood Trust are working together to change things for disabled people.



We will be sharing some of the things that we have found out from listening to disabled people in Gloucestershire.



We will check how these match with the aims in the **National Disability Strategy**.



We look forward to talking about this with people in Gloucestershire over the next few months.