



Dear Sir/Madam,

**Re: Disability Living Allowance Reform – Easy Read Consultation  
Document Question 1**

These are the individual questions which attendees at our event answered independently – please note the questions are the same but the numbering different from the Easy Read consultation document.

This question is Q.1 from the Easy Read Consultation Document.

Yours sincerely,



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A person with a hearing disability and obsessive Compulsive disorder, needs some one or people with them all the while to get out and about.

1. To help them too + From .
2. Help with money .
3. Keep them Safe .

15 FEB 2011

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1) NOT ENOUGH INFORMATION ON RALS  
SHELVES NOT ACCESSABLE IN WHEEL CHAIR. ACCESS  
STAFF NOT EDUCATED FOR COPING WITH DISABILITY.

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Funding being remove or decreased - Accessible.  
to Services - or building -

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An example would be for instance appropriate music to dance to for older people and disabled people.

Stairs to shops / premises.  
Lifts would greatly benefit.

Free access to scooters to enable getting out of house when not able normally to walk far.

Car parking - easy access for person nearby.

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SHOPS BEING INACCESSIBLE

OLDER BUILDINGS BEING INACCESSIBLE

TRANSPORT COSTS

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- 1) money
- 2) prejudice (mental + physical)
- 3) Access to buildings (work/entertainment -  
libraries + stores, etc.)
- 4) Helpers / buddies to accompany them and encourage them to go out.
- 5) Lack of suitable events & activities with them in mind.
- 6) government cut backs!



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- Ignorance of other people
- narrow shops / lack of lifts / ramps / hearing loops + staff who know how they walk.

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Access.

Confidence.

Embarrassed.

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1. BLINDNESS
2. NOT ABLE TO GO OUT SOMEONE TO GUIDE ME
3. SHOPS CANNOT FIND THEM AND WHEN THEY CANNOT SEE TO DO MY SHOPPING WITHOUT HELP.
4. BLINDNESS STOPS PEOPLE LIVING A INDEPENDENT LIFE  
YOU CAN WALK BUT YOU CANNOT SEE WHERE YOU'RE WALKING WITHOUT HELP.
5. HELP IS NEEDED FOR.
  - 1, SORTING CLOTHES IN MORNING
  - 2, COOKING FOOD.
  - 3, USING WASHING MACHINE
  - 4, MEDICATION SORTING TABLETS OUT
  - 5, GETTING TO & FROM DOCTORS OR HOSPITAL.

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The only thing I find  
is at a big meeting  
Carrying a cup of Tea etc  
being in a W/chaer  
I need 2 hands  
So I have to ask some one  
to carry the Cup for me.

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Son has a learning disability - at Special School (coming up age 12)  
would like more local social events so he can  
socialise and make friends -

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**"Discrimination"**

A sharp word but still one that lives on although the DDA exists;

Having Buildings that are totally inaccessible to the disabled, wheelchair user! Such as;  
Banks/ Holiday Hotels/Shops etc:

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- Some shops have steps to enter,
- the clothing rails or displays are too close for a wheelchair to pass.
- Toilet doors can be too narrow for a wheelchair and little room to manoeuvre.
- Enjoying Country walks e.g. Clent Hills, for wheelchair users can be impossible and can only use roads, not safe.
- Some parks and play areas have nothing wheelchair users can play on or use.
- Access to historical houses and upper levels difficult because of the nature of the building.

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Even the smallest or the simplest task is very difficult for some who is living with a disability. It will take that person longer or a lot of pain to complete a task.

So for that reason many things are inaccessible. If there isn't the support available, then going to the shops, doctors, hospital or to a friend is going to be challenging.



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SHOPPING

BANKS

DENTIST

Small SHOPS - no room for wheelchairs

Restaurants

Have to ask for someone to reach things in shops because too high for wheelchair

Having to wait outside a shop and tap window for assistance

Not having the money to pay for the extra people to help you

Put on because you are in need of help i.e. TAX

People attitude to words your disability

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OTHER PEOPLE'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS  
DISABLED PEOPLE.

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NOT APPLICABLE - REGISTERED BLIND.

BEING ABLE TO

- READ (NEVER GOING TO HAPPEN)
- WALK UNAIDED (NEVER GOING TO HAPPEN)



EXAMPLES.

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Adults with learning disabilities have a number of barriers that focus around social interaction and acceptance. Whereas we have become moderately understanding of people with physical disabilities, we as a society are far less tolerant of someone with Autism or Downs Syndrome. Tolerance and understanding are two things that can only change over considerable time and interaction within the general community from school through to elderly peoples homes.

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A myriad of diverse barriers impede disabled people from joining in with other people and living full, active and independent lives. The systematic prejudice and subsequent discrimination of able bodied/mind people is a primary factor.

Disabled people internalising the external prejudice and discrimination can also dis-empower and impede.

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Trouble doing shopping on own as suffer from fits  
and voices. public places  
transport.

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1. Where inability to stand for x amount of time

2. Wheelchairs not being allowed in places

3. Not moving around or active enough

4. LIT. GENERALLY NO FLEXIBILITY - A 'ONE SIZE FITS ALL' ENVIRONMENT WHICH DOES NOT ALLOW FOR INDIVIDUAL NEEDS OR EXPECTATIONS

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- ① HEAVY <sup>DOORS</sup> DOORS TO STRUGGLE IN/OUT OF SHOPS - AUTOMATIC <sup>DOORS</sup> HELP EVERYBODY
- ② CHECKOUTS AT HEIGHT WHICH ASSUME EVERYONE IS THE SAME (ASDA-OLDBURY HAVE A SLIGHTLY LOWER ONE FOR WHEELCHAIR USERS (OR THOSE OF SMALLER STATURE) THIS GIVES ME MY INDEPENDANCE, ALTHOUGH I CANNOT EASILY PACK THINGS I CAN AT LEAST EMPTY THE (SMALLER SIZE) TROLLEY
- ③ LACK OF SEATING IN SHOPPING AREAS TO UNABLE ME TO GO OUT KNOWING I CAN REST WHEN NECESSARY
- ④ LACK OF PUBLIC TOILETS - NOT SO MUCH THE SHOPS BUT COUNCILS ARE AT FAULT.
- ⑤ LACK OF TILTING SINKS IN HAIRDRESSERS WHICH ENABLE PEOPLE WITH MY CONDITION AND WHEELCHAIR USERS TO HAVE PROFFESIONAL CARE (THESE ARE HELPFUL TO MOST OLDER PEOPLE GENERALLY)
- ⑥ LACK OF THOUGHT IN <sup>PLACING OF</sup> 'STREET FURNITURE' AND GROWING NUMBERS OF 'A FRAME' TYPE BOARDS WHICH MAKE IT NECESSARY TO AVOID ROUTES FOR WHEELCHAIR USERS PLUS LACK OF DROPPED CURBS. THE BOARDS ARE EASY FOR ANYONE TO FALL OVER
- ⑦ LACK OF LARGER TYPE CHANGING ROOMS IN STORES WHICH ARE UNISEX TO ALLOW MY MALE CARER TO COME AND HELP ME. WE EITHER VISIT AT QUIET TIMES AND HAVE THE EMBARRASSMENT OF EXPLAINING WHY HE IS NEEDED IN THE FEMALE AREA OR TRY ON AT HOME AND HAVE A 2ND JOURNEY TO TAKE THINGS BACK



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Disabled people are left out and people can see they have problems and don't help. There are no facilities on Buses, Coaches, Trains and the service of these are terrible. You wait ages the times are not kept and also they are crowded which for Disabled people can be a big problem. Some people have no patients they can be quite nasty and shout they can't be bothered. When a person finding it difficult some people just walk past and don't help in anyway which is very selfish. Some people shout at you to move when you are not able to get out the way and they shout and swear at you. Because you cannot move quick enough for them they don't understand it is hard for you to get about not like them who are able. People are very Selfish they only think of themselves. It makes you feel down the way people treat you and yet you cannot help being the way you are. People laugh make comments which can hurt you. You never get over it, it can cause depression which costs the NHS more. There are 2 of us in the same household so 2 of us use the mobility car it is so important to us.

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My daughter is Autistic and have fits her behaviours can be very challenging. She won't get off or on transport she sits on the floor and you can not move her. Sometimes even in her car you have to wait quite some time before you get her out. She wines and spits which is very loud and penetrating other people cannot bear it. You have to keep to the same car if not you have problems. She has no sense of danger she does runs in the road also. she has fits anytime and anywhere up to 40-50 fits in one day. Sometimes I have to pick her up from day centre where she won't get in the transport she won't move.

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The Invitation : often venues are accessible, the activity could be modified and enjoyable but people with significant disabilities feel inhibited about joining in because they are worried about the attitudes of society.

Discriminating about disability should be as taboo as discriminating about race.

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PARKING FACILITIES

DISABLED TOILETS (NEEDS MORE)

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Not only are some shops inaccessible, when you get into some shops the aisles are too narrow or have things piled in them so if in a wheelchair or walking with a walker you cannot get around. (this can be large and well known shops)

People say get the Ring and Ride to help get around but when you try to use them you have to know 2 days in advance and between 1.45 and 4.15 for local trips and when you do try they are usually over booked so you've wasted 30 mins. and 3 days before between 6-10 pm for an over the boundary trip same probs

taxi's cost so much.

bus pass is great but only if you feel well enough to use the bus that day.

carrying things with you if on sticks etc. actually carrying things.

Holidays if you live alone and have no family to help you need to pay for a carer to come on holiday with you. I know a few people who haven't had holidays in years as they can't afford to pay 2 tickets etc also you need to know that you get on with the carer and will enjoy being with them while away.

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- 1/ HAVING THE NECESSARY AIDS TO GET AROUND IF YOU HAVE NOT GOT THE ABILITY TO WALK ANY DISTANCE WITHOUT PAIN
- 2/ HAVING THE RIGHT SIZE CAR WITH A BOOT LARGE ENOUGH TO HOUSE THE AIDS WHICH ONE NEEDS TO GET AROUND.
- 3/ HAVING A CARER WITH YOU TO GET THROUGH AWKWARD PLACES AND CROSSING ROADS AND GETTING UP AND DOWN ROAD SIDE KERBS.
- 4/ LIMITED SPACE <sup>ON</sup> BUSES FOR WHEELCHAIRS. ETC.
- 5/ HAVING A CARER WITH YOU IN CASE YOU FALL.
- 6/ NOT BEING ABLE TO GET INTO SHOPS - ENTRANCE TOO NARROW OR BLOCKED OR A STEP IS INVOLVED.
- 7/ PLACES NOT HAVING LIFTS.
- 8/ PATHS TOO NARROW FOR WHEELCHAIR - "HAVE TO USE THE ROAD"
- 9/ CAFES WHICH DO NOT ACCOMMODATE FOR WHEELCHAIRS. ETC.
- 10/ NOT BEING ABLE TO CARRY THINGS OR DO THE NORMAL MANLY MAINTENANCE WORK AROUND THE HOUSE OR GARDEN
- 11/ GETTING DEPRESSED AND FRUSTRATED.
- 12/ PLANNING WHERE TO GO, HOLIDAYS. ETC. IS THE DOMAIN FLAT AND SUITABLE FOR WHEELCHAIRS. ETC. DOES THE HOTEL ACCOMMODATE FOR WHEELCHAIRS AND THE DISABLED.



RESPONSE FROM

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**Means testing of disabled people**

- Discouraging them from taking well paid jobs which would enable them to accrue savings while still getting support
- Relatives cannot leave or give money to disabled people since it just ends up going to the government

**Inadequate access to buildings, public transport, etc**

**Inadequate working environments**

**Inadequate support from social care services**

**Prejudice by employers**

**End of Carers Allowance when in receipt of state pension**

**Inadequate benefits for disabled people and carers**

**Waiting time for disabled facilities grants**

**NHS postcode lottery**

**Social care postcode lottery**

**Lack of provision of social care independent of local budgeting policy/control**

**Lack of respect shown to patients/clients**

**Lack of continuity of social care workers**

**Priority given to social housing tenants**

**No joined-up thinking for disabled people and their carers**

**Problems faced by patients who cross boundaries and have to register as temporary patients and/or clients**

**Cross borough budgeting problems**

**Lack of services fitted to the individual rather than the other way around**

**Lack of integration of services for the individual, health, social care, education, etc**

**Reliance on the third sector**

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LACK OF TRANSPORT  
HAVING NO CARRIERS TO TAKE YOU OUT  
DIFFICULT ACCESS TO BUILDINGS  
FINDING IT DIFFICULT TO JOIN IN SOCIAL  
ACTIVITIES, THEATRE, CINEMAS, SPORTS,  
SOCIAL FUNCTIONS AND EVEN SIMPLER THINGS  
LIKE GOING TO THE PUB.



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Wheelchair access can sometimes be a major issue. Tables in some restaurants / cafes not always at an ideal height for all wheelchairs (especially adapted ones) tables to close together.

There needs to be more changing facilities radar & toilets not suitable for wheelchair users who cannot walk or help themselves and are wearing pads changing rooms with ~~fixed~~ adjustable beds is a definite must.

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Can't go round some steps  
because no ramps.

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Many venues do not provide enough wheelchair seating. Tickets have to be booked months in advance and wheelchair users can't sit together with family and friends.

People need carers to accompany them to take part in activities. Care/support is expensive.

Transport can be difficult to arrange/find.

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Depending on the disability for some it's Mobility and communication others it's lack of Social Skills.

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I AGREE ALL BUILDINGS NEW OR OLD  
SHOULD BE ACCESSIBLE WHERE POSSIBLE,  
TRANSPORT IS VERY LIMITED TO  
WHEELCHAIR USERS.

BENEFITS SHOULD BE MORE EXPLAINED  
AND PUBLICISED TO ALL

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TAXIS

SOME BUSES

MOBILE PHONES

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1. Stepped Escalators

2. Sound:- Clear Telephone speech.

3. Watch Television and only see part of picture.

and read a newspaper with parts of the letters or numbers missing.

not seeing a clear face of a person ten yards away

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RESTRICTED MOVEMENT (ARTHRITIS)  
BEING DEAF AND UNABLE TO SOCIALIZE AT  
CERTAIN EVENTS



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1/ ACCESS

2/ FINANCES

3/ ISOLATION

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Access To venues i.e shops, Peoples homes, Travelling From place to place.

If you are a disabled person i.e wheelchair user like myself without a use of a car you are forced to stay put and forced to rely on other people, paying for taxi's which can be extensive

Care is required in some cases for assistance

If you are on your own barriers such as requiring assistance.

Assistance required to be able to have a shower or use the toilet or get changed or a morning or preparing a meal/food.

Continance issues prevent disabled persons from living a full active independent life.

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*Steps - Doors - Display shelves too high -  
cupboards too low or too high around the home  
Lack of suitable and affordable transport*

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- Access into buildings.
- Other peoples opinions/prejudice
- Other peoples lack of knowledge/education
- Transport facilities

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Access is always a major problem, we need to educate people to provide better access in many places. We have to help people think of easy & cost effective solutions like a stairlift instead of a passenger lift.

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The help my husband needs,

- \* Shopping
- \* Dropping children to school
- \* Crossing busy road.

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The barriers that stop people overcoming are discrimination, colour, sex, disability prejudice.

People think if it is not happening to them or their family they don't need to be aware of the stigmas associated with being partially blind... when you go to sleep you don't know if you will have your sight again.

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Facilities, adaptations, access, Toilets Facilities,

Communications - no one understands their form of communication to know wants & needs.

Transport -

Support - people required to help / Support to access activities.



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psychologically withdrawn from society.  
other people's ignorance and attitude;  
towards mentally ill. Isolation not  
wanting <sup>or</sup> sit by a mentally ill person  
on public transport. People attitudes  
when having to comfort in a shop or  
restaurant not enough facilities  
for disabled people with walking sticks  
or wheelchairs.

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Fire doors are heavy, but this is the law.  
All shops have not conformed to disabled access.

Council never consider path up to a persons home - some still have steps also steps.

Buses also create great problems for many.  
The speed they travel - changing gear  
braking etc it is a frightening thing.  
for many So they won't use buses.

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- \* Going out more, accesable activities, premises (layout)*
- \* Transport.*
- \* Cost implications.*
- \* Every day living activities*

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Accessing public transport in a large wheelchair or mobility scooter.

Still many shops are not accessible with a wheelchair.

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I think I would help disabled people more if things were put at eye level when shopping for clothes instead of putting them so high that you have to be 10 foot tall, also lower places to ~~see~~ things on shelves they can't be seen in a wheelchair

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Need help getting around -

inaccessible shopping

Reduced income

Bus travel.

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Going over bad uneven Pavements  
People parking on a by drop kerbs

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- Access to information.
- Physically not being able to get somewhere



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Communication - I am profoundly deaf and need an interpreter. This can be very expensive.

Mobility issues, I need a car and a driver to help me get out

Not enough places that provide activities for people with disabilities.

finances, car, interpreter support, special footwear, all expensive.

Now worrying about the addition costs of petrol & inflation.

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TRANSPORT NOT BEING ABLE TO ACCESS BUSES.

SHOPS TO BE MORE ACCESSIBLE, NOT BEING ABLE TO REACH  
ITEMS OF THE TOP SHELVES.

LEISURE FACILITIES TO HAVE ONLY DISABLED DAYS .

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(Low kerbing) although most cities have these already,  
Many towns and villages do not.

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Access to shops navigating steps + stairs

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Especially clothes shops where they

have display stands with the clothing too close

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Prejudice

Getting picked on

Been used as a scapegoat.

I'll be your friend if you do this.

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~~Pejadise~~ unable to understand Rules  
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- Unable to communicate effectively with others.
- Our child is unable to walk anywhere unaided as they have no road sense.
- Our child needs supervision at all times. They are physically able but mentally unaware of danger.
- Cannot join in activities with other non-disabled children - ie brownies/scouts, dancing, horse riding, sports as they cannot follow instructions.
- ~~Cannot~~ Has difficulty using public transport, ie waiting for & changing buses.



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People not being trained in total communication methods e.g. sign/symbols

Even some groups designed for children with special needs, will not be able to cater for children with ~~severe~~ <sup>severe</sup> learning/behaviour difficulties. We were told not to bring our child to a special needs horse riding lesson. As 3 people needed to support her and they couldn't guarantee the staff for the following week.

Need to educate people that children with special needs may need a variety of methods/support to <sup>be</sup> able them to join in with other people/groups. Let's not see the disability as a barrier to ~~working~~ / learning.

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People with disabilities needs alot help to get on buses in order to join in fully. For example, going to the pictures, shepping or swimming. Also, buses platform and road side curbe does not meet to allow an wheelchair user on/off buses or access to anywhere.