



Department
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Keep Britain Working

Supporting people to stay in work

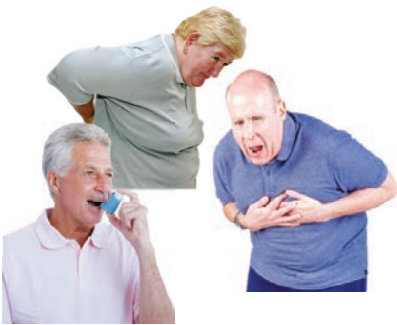
Information about the co-chair



About Keep Britain Working



Lots of people leave their jobs because of illness, a **health condition** or a disability.



A **health condition** is a problem that affects your body.

Things like having a bad back, pain, or problems with your heart or breathing.



Or it could be to do with your **mental health**.

Your **mental health** affects your thoughts, feelings and how you cope in everyday life.



The Government wants to support people to stay in work.

This is because good work is good for your health.



They want to support people who are off work sick to come back to work if they can.



And they want disabled people to feel included and supported at work.



We are doing a big piece of work called **Keep Britain Working**.



It is about changes that the Government could make.



The changes will help to support people with their health or a disability at work.

Work we are doing



In the next 3 years, we will plan the changes and see how they work.



To do this, we will work together closely with lots of different **employers**.

An **employer** is the person or place you work for.



We will call the employers who work with us **vanguards**.



We will ask the vanguards to test the changes.



We will ask them to tell us things that work well or if anything needs to change.



We will share what we find out with other employers.



This will help them to follow the new changes too.

Who will lead the work



Sir Charlie
Mayfield

The Government has chosen Sir Charlie Mayfield to help lead the work.



Sir Charlie Mayfield will work together with leaders from parts of the Government to do with work, **business** and health.



Business is about starting and running companies.

Companies make money and give people jobs.



Sir Charlie and the Government leaders will work together as a leadership group. They will make decisions about the changes.



Sir Charlie will be the first **co-chair**.

A **co-chair** is someone who helps to lead a group.



Sir Charlie will be a co-chair for the next 18 months.



Then the Government will choose a new co-chair.



Sir Charlie may be able to keep working on Keep Britain Working after 18 months.

But only if the Government agrees.

Who the group will work with



The leadership group will work closely with lots of other people and groups.



This might be:

- Employers.



- Disabled people and people with health conditions.



- Healthcare staff.



- **Trade unions**

A **trade union** is a group of people who stand up for workers **rights**.

Rights



Your **rights** are things the law says you are allowed to do and how you should be treated.



- Governments in Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.



This means lots of different people's views and voices will be heard.



And it means people who are affected by the changes will help to make decisions about them.

What the co-chair will do



The co-chair will work closely together with the rest of the leadership group.



They will help to plan and run meetings.



The co-chair will work closely together with the vanguards.



They will help to collect information about testing the changes.



The co-chair will work together with other employers across the UK.



They will help to share information with the Government.

This will help the Government to decide what to do next.

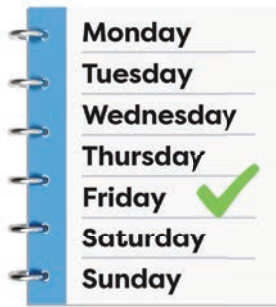


The co-chair will help to tell other people about Keep Britain Working.



They will make sure that we collect information from lots of different people and places.

How being a co-chair will work



The co-chair will need to do work as a co-chair for 1 day every week.



They will not get paid any money for being a co-chair.



Parts of the Government to do with work, business and health will support the co-chair in their work.

For more information



We have more easy read information about Keep Britain Working and the work we are doing.



You can find it on our website:

www.gov.uk/government/collections/keep-britain-working