

## OUR MANIFESTO [our demands] 2010

**Rights!  
Justice!**



Members of United Kingdom's Disabled People's Council and Disabled Peoples Organisations have told us their demands for justice and rights for disabled people in 2010.

They still experience: inequality, poverty, isolation, abuse and individual and institutional discrimination.



Good progress has been made in new policies and laws. But, they have not been put into force.

We believe the following demands must be met in the United Kingdom.

## HUMAN RIGHTS

We demand that:

- The criminal justice system, through appropriate judgments and sentencing, must:

- ⇒ Regard disabled people as full human beings
- ⇒ Uphold their rights to life, protection against violence and abuse
- ⇒ Respect their dignity and integrity the same as anyone else



### **Disability Hate Crime**



- Disability hate crime must be a separate offence under the Criminal Justice Act 2003.

# THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF DISABLED PEOPLE



We demand:

- That the UK Government withdraws the four reservations on:
  - ⇒ Immigration
  - ⇒ Inclusive education
  - ⇒ Employment in the armed forces
  - ⇒ The regular review of mental capacity
- That the government withdraws on the interpretation on Education which states that special schools are part of mainstream education.
- That the government fully involves Disabled Peoples' Organisations in all policies and programmes, in particular the monitoring process under Article 33.

# THE STATUS OF DISABILITY ON POLITICAL AGENDA



**Minister of  
state**

We demand that:

- The Minister for Disabled People becomes a Minister of State.

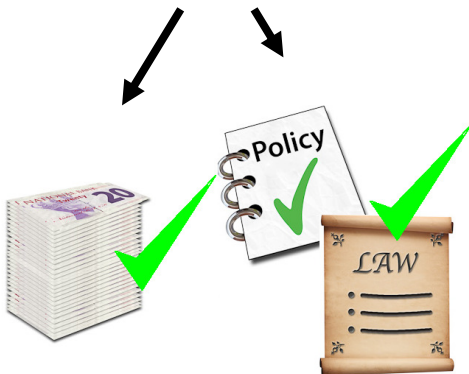


**Office for  
Disability**

- The Office for Disability, as guardian of the rights and equality of disabled people, has:

- Greater status and funding

- Real powers for bringing together all departments.



## INDEPENDENT LIVING

We demand that:



- Assessment for independent living is done centrally and given the right funding.



**Local Authorities**

- Local authorities work with their local Disabled Peoples' Organisations to make the personalisation agenda happen.



- Recommendations are put in place from the following report:  
“The Role of the Third Sector: Personalisation of Health and Social Care and Services to Reduce Re-offending”.

We also demand that:



- Disabled children and youth receive continuous support for independent living, including their communication needs and inclusive education.



## **Residential Care**

- In line with Article 19 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, disabled people must not be put in residential care unless they agree to it.

## VOICE AND CO-PRODUCTION



**Listen!**

**Important**



**Equal  
Rights**

Carers, disability charities and other service providers may speak on behalf of disabled people. But they have their own interests too. Therefore we demand that:

- The Government accepts the voice of disabled people as important.
- **Third sector organisations** [voluntary or non-profit making] work with us to achieve equality, rights and justice for disabled people.
- Professionals must be a resource to Disabled People so we can make our own decisions about our lives.
- Our voice, through our own representative organisations, must be heard first, and financially supported in all policies and programmes that directly affect us.



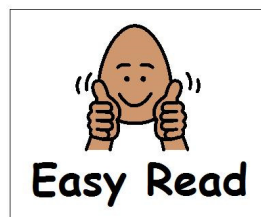
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