

# Good Lives Manifesto: Impact

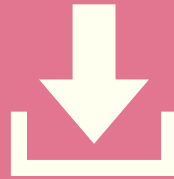


The manifesto was co-produced by Learning Disability England

members with more than **450** people deciding on the key areas for change.

The Good Lives manifesto has been read or downloaded over

**8,500** times.

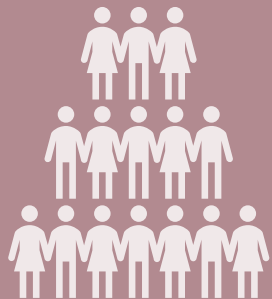


It brings together asks from

**16** campaigns.



The manifesto has been shared with...



- MP's
- The NHS
- Ofsted
- The Department of Education
- Integrated Care Boards
- Meetings of people with learning disabilities
- Across Provider organisations

# GOOD LIVES MANIFESTO 2024





“Many are still talking about how they voted for the first time. Had it not been for the Good Lives Manifesto and the LDE conference they wouldn't have had the confidence to do this.”



Jan Walmsley, Trustee of Learning Disability England has written an **article which has been published in Community Living** all about the manifesto.

She goes into what the manifesto is for, what it is asking, and how it is an opportunity for ‘direct representation of people with learning disabilities and their families in policy circles.’

Read Jan's blog [here](#). 



LDE member Scott Watkin supports the manifesto: “Good Lives is so important for us as we are seen to be forgotten people. Good Lives gives ideas to us all to support people to have a good life whether its health employment or living in our own home and to speak up so we can have a better quality of life.”  
Now it's down to us as citizens to use the carefully co-produced manifesto to get the issues facing people with learning disabilities and their families higher up the political agenda.  
Never forget, it took just one senior member of Tony Blair's 1997 government to hear the message for Valuing People to see the light of day. Let's make it happen again. We could be within touching distance of a policy for learning disability we can all sign up to.




Fair Oak Housing Association tenants group sent the manifesto to all of the candidates for Westmorland and Furness. Three of them replied.

They were able to get a **meeting with Labour candidate**, Pippa Smith who came to their office. They asked her some questions that they thought were important based off the manifesto.

The meeting write-up is [here](#). 

In the run up to the elections, the Listen Up! Team at SeeAbility and their eye care champions shared six blogs.

These blogs were all based on the manifesto and had six different themes, inspired by it's six pledges.

You can find all of the blogs [here](#). 



Peter and Tristan, members of Learning Disability England questioned political candidates about the manifesto during a **local hustings meeting**.

The candidates promised to read it and meet with the local learning disability community in six months if they won.

Watch it on YouTube [here](#). 