

Dear Member of Parliament

Firstly I would like to congratulate you on becoming our Member of Parliament in the House of Commons. I am writing to yourself in the hope you can offer the disabled community much needed support and to put our needs at the top of your priorities as you take office.

To take positive action on the Disability Reform that is on the agenda by the New Government.

We have been given reassurances by David Cameron the Prime Minister those that can't work due to disability will be supported. I truly hope that this will be the case.

Unfortunately at present there are too many real Disabled People having problems in current system as it is. I totally accept and understand that those who can work without it being detrimental to their health should but some of these reforms are making it harder for Disabled People to do just that.

They should be supported and helped into work if they are able. I do feel that program like Benefit Britain has tarred Disabled People with the brush of benefit scroungers. It's certainly not my experience of being disabled and on benefits in the UK.

Sadly for people who are living with lifelong disability and chronic illness for some working is not an option due to their health problems. This is why we have Benefit system in the first place.

The current welfare system is failing these real applicants that should be getting supported and just now there is a lot of fear plus despair due to these reforms because of this.

There has not been a massive consultation process within the Disabled Community, which I do think needs happen and would like to ask you to be our voice to call for this consultation to start. It would be greatly welcomed before any reform take place; I am unsure if this option open to disabled people like myself. Due to restrictions of our disabilities but would like to ask for nationwide review and consultation involving as many disabled people that are able. As we are in this system and know what is working and what is not.

I am happy to meet in person about my own case and the problems I have experienced so that these problem can be addressed and prevent them from happening to other people. I do feel that if the outcome of this review was incorporated into the welfare reform policy that this could be positive reform for those who really need it. I do feel that if every disabled person in your area that has had problems was to be in contact with yourself about the fundamental failing within the system of DWP you would be overwhelmed without a doubt.

We have set up a group called DisabilityViewUk which is non-political. We have chosen to hope over despair and this is why I am writing to yourself in the hope we can gain your full support in this matter. For all the disabled people you represent that will be affected by these reforms. We do want to be a positive voice in enabling positive welfare reform that supports disabled people with their needs.

With thanks