

Independent Living Funds Review: Call for evidence

Independent Consultants, Melanie Henwood and Bob Hudson, have been appointed by the Minister for Disabled People, Anne McGuire, to undertake the Review of the Independent Living Funds (ILFs). The Review will report at the end of December 2006.

The Review is being undertaken in line with Cabinet Office guidance addressing:

- whether a Non-Departmental Public Body (NDPB) continues to be the best way to deliver the service, and, if so
- how delivery of those services can be improved upon.

Issues

As part of the Review we are inviting **concise, written submissions** addressing the following issues:

- What do you believe to be the strengths and weaknesses of the ILFs?
- How do you see the ILFs relating to other 'cash for care' models (notably Direct Payments and Individual Budgets)?
- Are current arrangements for delivering the ILFs best suited to its purpose within a changing policy context?
- What changes, if any, do you believe are required in the way in which the ILFs operate?

Stakeholders have been asked to provide written submissions, in electronic form **by 31 August 2006** to:

ILF-Review@dwp.gsi.gov.uk

Consultation events

Public consultation events for individual service users are being held across the UK **from 8 August 2006**:

Belfast – 21 August
Edinburgh – 4 September
London – 17 August
Leeds – 31 August
Newport, South Wales – 8 August

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