

Choices & Rights

Hull

Disabled People's Panel (DPP)



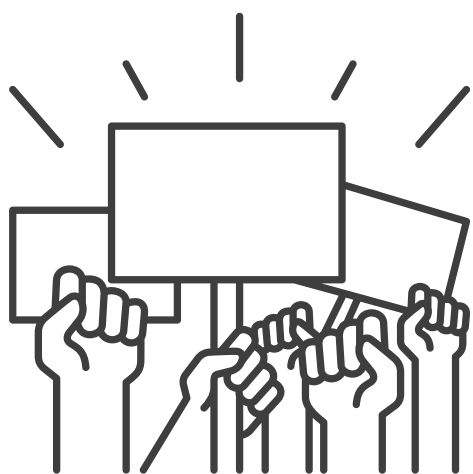
- If you are a disabled person or have a long-term health condition, we would like your views.
- How is the cost of living affecting you?
- Can you afford to get the care and support you need?
- Would the closure of train ticket offices or no guards on trains, stop you travelling?
- Does using the internet make your life easier or harder?
- Do you feel attitudes to disabled people are better or worse than 5 years ago?

Choices and Rights started as a campaigning group to ensure that disabled people's views were heard, rather than other people or charities speaking on our behalf.

As well as providing key services around independent living, we are also involved in Policy Influencing

Policy influencing is what we do to influence positive change with local, regional, and national government.

We want to be a voice for our members and service users and use your views and experiences to influence change.



In 2023-24, we are working closely with other Disabled People's Organisations (DPOs) who think like us, to influence the policy both locally and nationally on subjects like:

- **The Cost-of-Living Crisis**
- **Social Care Charging**
- **Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Green Paper**
- **The inquiry into the government response to Coronavirus**

We do this by writing to local and national government decision makers, elected members and ministers, and meeting with them, as well as writing reports and sharing evidence and ideas.

We also respond to local council consultations on issues that matter to our members, such as changes to policies, budgets, and plans for the local area



We are active members of:

- **Our Voices (group of DPOs lead by Disability Rights UK)**
- **DPO Forum England**

We do not have a set list of topics that have to be discussed, so this gives you the opportunity to have your voice heard.

We aim for the DPP to meet 4 times a year and you will also be able to join online. If you want to attend, but can't afford it, we will see if we can pay transport costs.

Want to be involved? We always want to hear your views and experiences to help us share the evidence to influence change, so please sign up to our Disabled People's Panel by using the form attached.

