# Annex C: Evidence analysis

## Event notes

CBCE1 ALLFIE - DBLM - transcript

CBCE2 ALLFIE - members - transcript

CBCE3 ALLFIE - Parents - transcript

CBCE4 ALLFIE - Young People - transcript

CBCE5 Birmingham DRC

CBCE6 Bristol & South West

CBCE7 Disability Rights UK - group 1

CBCE8 Disability Rights UK - group 2

CBCE9 Disability Sheffield

CBCE10 East Anglia

CBCE11 Equal Lives

CBCE12 Equality Together

CBCE13 Greater Manchester Coalition of Disabled People - group 1

CBCE14 Greater Manchester Coalition of Disabled People - group 2

CBCE15 Greater Manchester Coalition of Disabled People, transcript

CBCE16 Inclusion London

CBCE17 National DPAC - access to communications workshop

CBCE18 National DPAC - access to transport workshop

CBCE19 National DPAC - Disability hate crime workshop

CBCE20 National DPAC - good work workshop

CBCE21 National DPAC - housing

CBCE22 National DPAC - independent living workshop

CBCE23 National DPAC - intersectionality workshop

CBCE24 National DPAC - mental health services workshop

CBCE25 National DPAC - political and public life

CBCE26 National DPAC and Black Deaf UK - transcript

CBCE27 People First (Self Advocacy)

CBCE28 Sheffield Voices

CBCE29 Sheffield Voices pic 1

CBCE30 Sheffield Voices pic 2

CBCE31 York Disability Rights Forum

CBCE32 National DPAC - right to life workshop

CBCE33 National DPAC - climate change workshop

CBCE35 National DPAC - benefits workshop

## Targeted work

FG1 Notes from meeting with #Queer#CripClub

FG2 People without State support - notes from interviews with 4 individuals structured under relevant Articles

FG3 Notes from meeting with Unfair Debt Group

FG4 Notes from meeting with London, Eastern and South Eastern TUC Disabled Members' Forum

FG5 Notes from meeting with TUC DWC

FG6 Meeting with Deafroots - Asian BSL users

## DDPOs

DDPO1-3 Anonymous

DDPO4 Bristol Independent Living Group

DDPO5 Changing Perspectives

DDPO6-9 Cheshire DPAC

DDPO10-16 Chronic Illness Inclusion

DDPO17-25 Disability Murals

DDPO26 Disability Positive

DDPO27-29 Liberation

DDPO30 Regard

DDPO31 Social Power and Mental Health Steering Group

DDPO32 Sovereign Harbour Disability Association, East Sussex

DDPO33 Stay Safe East

DDPO34 StopSIM Coalition

DDPO35 World of Inclusion

DDPO36 York Disability Rights Forum

DDPO37 Winvisible

DDPO38 Unspoken

DDPO39 TUC Disabled Workers' Committee

DDPO40 Disabled People Against Cuts

DDPO41-42 Inclusion London

DDPO43 Suffolk Coalition of Disabled People – issues for disabled people in rural communities

DDPO44-46 Alliance for Inclusive Education

DDPO47 Commission on Social Security

DDPO48 Disability Politics

## Other stakeholders

OO1-2 Access Social Care

OO3 Disability Benefits Consortium

OO4 Disabled Children's Partnership

OO5 Friends, Families and Travellers submission

OO6 Just Fair

OO7 NUBSLI

OO8 Working Together Parents Network

OO9 RNIB

O10 Royal Association for Deaf People

OO11 Signalise

OO12 Unison

0013 Mencap

## Individuals – Deaf/Disabled People

D.DP1 Alyson Fisk

D.DP2-3 Amanda Jacobs

D.DP4 Anon1

D.DP5 Anon2

D.DP6 Anon3

D.DP7 Anon4

D.DP8 Anon5

D.DP9 Anon6

D.DP10 Anon7

D.DP11 Anon8

D.DP12 Anon9

D.DP38 Anon10

D.DP39 Anon11

D.DP13 Ann Galpin

D.DP14-19 Christopher

D.DP20-21 Dolly Sen

D.DP22 George Gale Snr

D.DP23 Haley Jones

D.DP24 Heidi Crowter

D.DP25 Julia Cameron

D.DP26 Karl Womack

D.DP27 Kenny Thompson

D.DP28 Kimaya Crolla-Younger

D.DP29-30 Linda Coy

D.DP31 Mia Mantra

D.DP32-33 Simon Fidler

D.DP34-35 Simon Smith

D.DP36 Wendy Micklewright

D.DP37 Jan Bailey

D.DP40 Marie Tidball

D.DP41 Anon 12

D.DP42 Disabled Carers – Newham BAME Carer Peer Network

D.DP43 Evidence from non-binary person who is Roma

D.DP44 Supported evidence from person with a learning difficulty living in residential care

## Individuals – carers/family/friends/neighbours

OI1 Anon1

OI2 Anon2

OI3 Anon3

## Evidence Coding

### Accessibility

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Inaccessible communications | |
| Lack of easy read information | CBCE27 |
| Local advice and information provided by LAs not in accessible formats | OO10  CBCE6 |
| Lack of information in BSLi | CBCE10 |
| Shortage of BSL interpreters | CBCE17 |
| Need for communication support choice (face to face BSLis well as VRS) | OO11  OO7 |
| No BSL in videos from COP26 | CBCE17 |
| New public procurement frameworks are leading to inadequate communication support for Deaf BSL users | OO11 |
| Complaints procedures are in English - never in BSL - creates a barrier to challenging wrongful practice | FG6 |
| Lack of awareness of electronic formats accessible to screen-readers | CBCE17 |
| Greater barriers for DDP from BAME communities | CBCE17 |
| Digital exclusion | |
| DDP in general | OO6  D.DP36  CBCE6  CBCE7  CBCE13 |
| For people with learning difficulties | CBCE27 |
| For Deaf BSL users | OO11  CBCE17 |
| For blind/VI people | OO9 |
| Disabled people in rural areas | DDPO43 |
| Inaccessible environment | |
| Importance of accessible pavements (especially for blind/VI) | OO9  DPPO36  CBCE28 |
| COP26 no wheelchair access | FG4  CBCE7 |
| Poor understanding of access requirements for ppl who are neurodivergent | D.DP35 |
| Need to protect Blue Badge parking | CBCE9  DDPO32  FG1 |
| Need more Changing Place toilets | CBCE27  CBCE18 |
| No recognition for emotional assistance animals | DDPO32 |
| Lack of consultation with DDP |  |
| Low Traffic Neighbourhoods | CBCE33 |
| Colourful crossings | D.DP2 |
| Inaccessible transport | |
| Reliance on public transport of Disabled people | D.DP31 |
| Particular problem for Disabled people in rural areas | DDPO43  D.DP14 |
| Buses - for people with hidden impairments | D.DP31 |
| Inaccessible information | CBCE14 |
| Dial-a-Ride unreliable | CBCE18 |
| Taxi-card = postcode lottery | CBCE18 |
| Investment in accessible transport benefits the economy | FG4 |
| Assistance on trains too unreliable to trust | CBCE31  CBCE18 |
| New developments need to be accessible - eg electric buses aren't! | FG4 |
| Taxi drivers not following safety guidance | D.DP28 |
| Problems with buddies/prams and wheelchairs sharing same space | CBCE18  CBCE6 |
| Only one wheelchair can travel on a bus at a time | CBCE18 |
| Rail companies not investing in accessibility | CBCE14 |
| Buses outside London - eg York - without audio-visual information | CBCE31 |
| Pandemic access gains | |
| Created greater inclusion | OO6  CBCE10  DDPO15  CBCE7  CBCE13  DDPO15 |
| Improved the lives of Disabled workers | D.DP13 |
| For some gave greater access to health services | CBCE10 |
| To political participation | CBCE25 |
| To leisure, culture and social life for ppl with ELCI | DDPO15 |
| Being removed | DPPO36  FG1  DDPO15 |

### Attitudes

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| --- | --- |
| Devaluing DDP | |
| Not listening to/disbelieving | D.DP31  D.DP36  D.DP28  D.DP29  CBCE31  CBCE10  D.DP10  CBCE11  FG1  DDPO13  CBCE16 |
| Attitudes that ppl who use AAC need to be spoken *for* | CBCE28  DDPO38  D.DP14 |
| People with ELCI particularly subject to attitudes of disbelief | DDPO14 |
| Exclusion (eg York City Centre removing Blue Badge parking reinforces feelings of being unvalued) | CBCE31 |
| Impact of Covid | |
| Promoted negative portrayals of Disabled people as "vulnerable" | CBCE16 |

### Austerity

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| Cuts | |
| Leading to mental distress for ppl in more isolated rural communities | DDPO43 |
| Ongoing | DDPO26  CBCE13  CBCE16 |

### Awareness

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| --- | --- |
| Lack of disability awareness | |
| Need to increase disability awareness | D.DP36  DDPO36  D.DP3 |
| Lack of awareness of neurodivergence | D.DP34  D.DP35 |
| Need for greater awareness of ppl who who use AAC | DDPO38  CBCE9 |
| Need for greater awareness of ELCIs | DDPO14 |

### Benefit system

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| Benefit system | |
| Does not afford a decent standard of living | CBCE16 |
| Default suspicion of claimants | DDPO37 |
| Digital by default inaccessible | DDPO27  CBCE10  CBCE7 |
| Lack of accessible information | CBCE9  CBCE27  D.DP44  CBCE17 |
| Impact of wrong advice | FG3 |
| Harsh eligility for child benefits | DDPO37 |
| Benefit deaths | DDPO37  FG3  DDPO20  DDPO21  CBCE7 |
| Lack of inquiry into benefit deaths | DDPO20  DDPO21 |
| Impact when Disabled lone parents have benefits cut off (eg Elaine Morall suicide) | DDPO37 |
| Benefit assessments | |
| Anxiety and mental distress/traumatising process | DDPO47  DDPO27  D.DP8  D.DP5  D.DP35  FG3  CBCE11  CBCE17  CBCE28  FG1  CBCE7  CBCE13 |
| Overbooking assessments - leading to cancellations/long waits | DDPO3 |
| Inaccuracies in assessment reports | D.DP5  DDPO3 |
| Insensitive/triggering questions | D.DP5 |
| Re-traumatising for refugees/asylum seekers with complex PTSD | DDPO37 |
| Inaccessible assessment centres | D.DP5  DDPO3 |
| Initial claims fail - evidence not considered until tribunal | DDPO37  D.DP8  CBCE25  CBCE11 |
| Initial claims fail - do not apply legislation properly | DDPO47 |
| Pressures on families subject to multiple assessments/Disabled people providing unpaid support to other Disabled people | DDPO37  D.DP44  FG1 |
| Inaccessible systems | DDPO37  D.DP14 |
| Need for more paper-based assessments - less face to face | DDPO37 |
| Long complex forms | DDPO37  D.DP8 |
| Harm of constant reassessments | FG3  D.DP34  DDPO37  D.DP35  CBCE7 |
| Have to pay for medical evidence | FG1  DDPO37 |
| Not in line with human rights model of disability | DDPO13 |
| Design of assessments based on disbelief of claimants | DDPO13 |
| Benefits stopped/reduced while challenging wrongful eligibility decisions | D.DP8 |
| Concerns about merging ESA and PIP assessments | DDPO37  CBCE8 |
| Benefit fraud | |
| Fraud line used maliciously | D.DP7  DDPO42 |
| Blue Badges | |
| Increased barriers to getting | FG4  DPPO36  FG1 |
| Disability and Health green paper | |
| Approach contrary to social model | DDPO27 |
| Opposition to mergers of ESA and PIP under UC | DDPO27 |
| Fears it will lead to more cuts | FG5  DDPO37  CBCE5 |
| Lack of attention to intersectionality | DDPO27 |
| Not address flawed benefit assessments | DDPO2  FG5 |
| Statements on high satisfaction levels run contrary to other evidence including data from WeG's UK Disability Survey Research Report | DDPO27 |
| Fails to acknowledge harm of conditionality | DDPO27 |
| Need for more engagement with DDPOs | FG5  DDPO27 |

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| DLA/PIP | |
| Assessment criteria not appropriate for ppl for certain groups eg mental distress/fluctuating conditions | D.DP8  DDPO13 |
| Rejected PIP applications leading to increased need for social care | CBCE9 |
| Motability cars being taken off DDP | CBCE18  D.DP8 |
| Surveillance | |
| Trackers on Motability Cars | DDPO37 |
| Universal Credit | |
| Disabled ppl financially worse off | CBCE16 |
| 5 week wait | CBCE16 |
| Fear of sanctions | CBCE8  CBCE16 |
| More people in arrears | CBCE21 |

### Brexit

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| Impacts on DDP | |
| European Accessibility Act 2019 will not be implemented in the UK | OO6 |
| Impact of rise in cost of living on those on low incomes |  |
| Social care recruitment crisis | D.DP4 |
| Medication availability impacted | CBCE32 |

### Climate change

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| Right of DDP to peacefully protest on climate change issues | |
| Police trying to get benefits taken off anti-fracking protestors | CBCE33 |
| Need to engage with DDP over measures to address climate change | |
| Areas cars are banned from | CBCE28  FG1 |
| Electric vehicles dangerous to blind/VI pedestrians | CBCE9 |
| Need for accessible electric vehicles | CBCE9 |
| Plastic straw ban | DDPO1 |
| Blue Badgeholders not exempt from Congestion charge | CBCE18 |
| Concern about consequences for people on low incomes of phasing out of diesel and petrol cars | CBCE33 |
| E-scooters | CBCE6 |
| Need for cycle lanes that also cater for adapted cycles | CBCE9 |

### Community sector

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| Cuts | |
| Cuts to funding for DDPOs | DDPO29  CBCE28  FG1  CBCE23  CBCE13 |
| Importance of peer support | FG1 |
| Importance for well-being | D.DP27 |

### COVID

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| Disproportionate deaths | |
| Two thirds Covid-related deaths = DDP | D.DP25  DDPO26  CBCE5  CBCE13  CBCE14  CBCE16 |
| PwLD 6 x more likely to die of COVID | CBCE7 |
| DNACPRs | CBCE32  FG4  CBCE10  DDPO5  CBCE23  DPPO36  DDPO26  CBCE21  CBCE27  CBCE17  CBCE28  CBCE7  CBCE13  CBCE16 |
| COVID patients discharged into care homes | CBCE32  CBCE10  CBCE6 |
| Treatment rationing | |
| Deaf BSL users | OO11 |
| PPl with mental distress | DDPO28 |
| DDP needed to campaign for mortality stats for people with learning difficulties/people who are autistic | DDPO5  CBCE27 |
| Inaccessible communication | |
| Exploitation of pandemic by large VRS suppliers to monopolise BSL market | OO7 |
| Information from local Councils not in easy read and alternative formats only sent out later after complaints | CBCE10  CBCE6  CBCE28  CBCE16 |
| Gov announcements confusing & inaccessible | CBCE17  CBCE28  CBCE13 |
| No BSLi for Gov announcements | CBCE33  CBCE31  CBCE10  DDPO15  CBCE9  OO10  CBCE17  CBCE28  CBCE6  CBCE13  CBCE16 |
| Digital exclusion | OO6  CBCE16 |
| Inadequate support | |
| Adult social care- reduced/suspended | CBCE13 |
| Children and families- reduced/suspended | OO6  OO4  OO13 |
| Safeguarding reduced | D.DP5  DDPO5 |
| Lack of access to PPE for DDP in own homes | OI3  DDPO26  CBCE9  CBCE6 |
| LAs refuse to increase support where needs have increased | OO2 |
| Mental health services stopped/reduced | CBCE10 |
| Day services closed but no increase in support in residential settings | OO11 |
| Adverse impacts on well-being | |
| Mental Health | DPPO36  CBCE11  CBCE28  CBCE13  DDPO11 |
| Lack of access to food | D.DP13  DDPO26  CBCE28 |
| Lack of access to medication | DDPO26 |
| Isolation | D.DP25  DDPO26  CBCE11  CBCE27 |
| Increase in debt | D.DP13 |
| Personal mobility restricted - ppl with cars and clinically vulnerable unable to travel | D.DP25  DDPO26 |
| Vaccinations | |
| Reliance on vaccines discriminates against those medically unable to have vaccines/those who are clinically vulnerable | FG4  D.DP25 |
| Inaccessible to those unable travel | CBCE32 |
| Need for BSL interpreters | OO11 |
| Not available for DDP living in their homes with family members | OI3 |
| Need to lobby to get prioritisation for DDP | CBCE9  DDPO5  CBCE27 |
| Inaccessible environments | |
| Blue badge parking removed | FG2  CBCE28  CBCE13  CBCE16 |
| One way systems in shops…etc inaccessible for VI people | DPPO36 |
| Extra pavement furniture/street space changes | CBCE28  CBCE13  CBCE16 |
| Education | |
| Disabled CYP disproportionately impacted by lower educational outcomes resulting from pandemic | CBCE10 |
| Inaccessibility of online teaching | OO6  OO9 |
| Employment | |
| Disproportionate redundancies | CBCE20 |
| Forced into work when unsafe | D.DP25 |
| Increasing disability employment gap | CBCE20 |
| CEV List | |
| Too narrow | FG2  CBCE29  DDPO11 |
| Need for clearer guidance | DDPO11 |
| Delayed conformations of being on it | FG1 |
| Legal easements | |
| Brought in by coronavirus act | CBCE13  CBCE16 |
| Children and Families Act | OO6 |
| Care Act | CBCE21  CBCE27 |
| Mental Health Act | DDPO5  DDPO28  CBCE24 |
| Community sector | |
| Had to step in with few if any additional resources | DDPO30 |
| Positive impact of mutual aid groups | CBCE10 |
| Mental Health System | |
| Mental Health Review Tribunals moved online - less accessible for some | DDPO5 |
| Ward activities stopped | DDPO5 |
| Daily leisure not extended to people under forced detention | DDPO5 |
| £20 Universal credit uplift | |
| Denied to people on legacy benefits | CBCE33  DDPO26  CBCE6  CBCE7  CBCE16 |
| Visits - care homes/supported living | |
| Lack of clear guidance | OO1 |
| 14 day self-isolation after a visit in care homes/supported living - very difficult for DDP | DDPO30  CBCE13 |
| Failure to make reasonable adjustments to accommodate - social care providers too concerned re insurance | OO1 |
| Health | |
| Difficulty accessing health services | DPPO36  D.DP25  DDPO26  CBCE11  FG1  CBCE6  CBCE7  CBCE13  CBCE14  DDPO11 |
| Leading to poorer outcomes and excess deaths | D.DP25  CBCE11  CBCE6  CBCE7  DDPO11 |
| Campaigners had to fight for DDP to be accompanied into hospital under COVID visiting rules | CBCE6 |
| Response/planning | |
| DDP were an after thought | DDPO26 |
| Reliance on vaccines discriminates against those medically unable to have vaccines/those who are clinically vulnerable | FG4  D.DP25  CBCE8 |
| No engagement with DDP/DDPOs | CBCE6 |
| Access to testing could have relieved pressures/avoidable distress to DDP in residential settings | OO1 |
| Lack of consideration for well-being of shielders | CBCE33  D.DP25  DDPO11 |
| Gov not acting in interests of public health | CBCE33  D.DP25  CBCE9  CBCE6 |
| Based on view lives of DDP are expendable | CBCE33  FG2  CBCE31  D.DP25  DDPO15  CBCE27  CBCE17  FG1  DDPO11 |
| Lifting lockdowns prematurely put DDP living in tourist areas at greater risk | CBCE31 |
| Overlooking needs of asylum seekers/refugees | FG2 |
| Constituted disability discrimination | DDPO11 |

### Discrimination

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| Disability discrimination | |
| Is everywhere - government, LAs, universities, DWP, housing | CBCE8 |
| Screening/genetic testing – Spectrum 10k study |  |
| Vs ppl with Down's Syndrome | D.DP24 |
| Removal of children from Disabled parents | |
| Parents being Disabled treated as a risk factor for children | D.DP3 |
| Disabled mothers have to meet higher standards than non-Disabled | CBCE16 |
| Disabled mothers to frightened to ask for support for fear of children being taken away | CBCE16 |
| Abortion ­– D.DP24 | |
| Time limits longer for foetuses with an impairment | D.DP24 |
| Pressure on parents by medical professionals to abort foetuses with an impairment | CBCE16 |

### Education

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| Exclusions | |
| Dispropotionate impact on Disabled children | CBCE27 |
| Intersection of racialised oppression and disablism | DDPO46 |
| Crisis in SEND provision in mainstream schools | |
| Lack of support in mainstream | D.DP44  DDPO35  DDPO46  DDPO44  DDPO45  CBCE2  CBCE3 |
| Hostility towards parents asking for support | CBCE7  D.DP44 |
| Parents high court victory over Bristol LA | DDPO4 |
| Little improvement following poor inspection reports | DDPO4 |
| Lack of support leading to criminalisation - DDP from BAME communities at most risk | D.DP43 |
| Increasing segregation | |
| WeG building more special schools | DDPO35  CBCE7  CBCE13 |
| Local variation | DDPO35 |
| Special schools | |
| Increased numbers of CYP in special schools | CBCE27  CBCE35 |
| SEND pupils forced into special schools due to lack of support in mainstream | CBCE7  CBCE3  DDPO46 |
| Lack of over-sight | DDPO33 |
| Abuse scandals | DDPO33 |
| Use of physical restraint and abuse | D.DP43  CBCE10 |
| Barriers to higher education | |
| Lack of education provision for Disabled YP | D.DP44 |
| Much harder to get support through DSA | FG1 |
| Lack of BSL interpreter provision preventing education | FG6 |
| Disabled students left in greater debt as takes longer to complete studies | CBCE13 |
| Pandemic access gains being taken away | FG1 |
| Bullying by other students | |
| No support to deal with | CBCE8 |
| Attitude of tutors/education professionals | |
| DDP being prevented from taking their chosen courses - prejudice against their ability to participate in learning of certain subjects/at certain levels | FG6  CBCE8  CBCE4 |

### Employment

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| Access to Work | |
| Unfit for purpose | CBCE16 |
| Scheme too restricted | CBCE20  CBCE8 |
| Slow and bureaucratic | CBCE16 |
| Under-resourced | CBCE16 |
| Support rationing | CBCE16 |
| Not cover volunteering | CBCE28 |
| Hostile application process | CBCE8 |
| Negative impacts on health/mental health | CBCE8 |
| Equipment delays | CBCE8 |
| Lack of staff awareness | CBCE8 |
| Employment barriers increasing – CBCE20, FG6, FG3 | |
| Inadequacies of Disability Confident scheme | CBCE20  CBCE23  CBCE16 |
| Disability pay gap | CBCE20  D.DP13  CBCE9 |
| NO narrowing of disability employment gap | CBCE20  OI2 |
| Discrimination/bullying at work | FG3  D.DP43  CBCE10  D.DP13  OO10  CBCE8 |
| Employer lack of awareness | FG6  OO9  OO10 |
| Employers unwilling to make reasonable adjustments | DDPO27  D.DP13  OO10  FG1 |
| Use of redundancy processes to get rid of disabled employees | CBCE9 |
| Managers/colleagues attitude that Disabled workers who need reasonable adjustments are "faking it" | CBCE31  FG3 |
| Workers too afraid to tell their employers they are Disabled | D.DP13 |
| PwLD among lowest employment rates | CBCE27  CBCE28 |
| Barriers to job-searching | |
| Lack of Deaf/Disability awareness in job centres | FG6 |
| Interpreters not turning up to interviews | FG6 |
| Lack of accessible information about worker's rights and entitlements | CBCE9 |
| Inaccessible communications/lack of respect for communication needs by DWP | FG6 |
| Lack of work flexibilities | CBCE13 |
| Need for entirely new communty based system of employment support separate from benefits system | DDPO47 |
| Job adverts and recruitment schemes often inaccessible and uninclusive | CBCE16 |
| Need a right to part-time work/job-sharing | CBCE9 |

### Engagement

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| Inaccessible consultations | |
| If not disability specific (but still affects DDP) - eg consultations on Domestic Abuse Bill/Mental Capacity Act/housing | DDPO33  CBCE27  CBCE13 |
| Lack of understanding by WeG of BSL | DDPO26 |
| Lack of engagement with Deaf and Disabled people | |
| Need for better engagement | D.DP34  FG4  D.DP36  DDPO26  CBCE27  CBCE6  CBCE7  CBCE13 |
| DDPOs ignored | DDPO26  CBCE5 |
| Gov engages with organisations *for* not *of* | DDPO26  CBCE27  CBCE6  CBCE13  CBCE16 |
| National Disability Strategy lack of proper consultation | DDPO26  CBCE6  CBCE13 |
| Ignoring Deaf and Disabled ppl & allies | |
| Lobbying for abuse by Personal Assistants/social care workers to be included in Domestic Abuse bill ignored | CBCE16 |
| Lobbying for Disabled parents to be included in National Disability Strategy ignored | CBCE16 |
| Good practice at regional/local levels | |
| Disabled People's panels - Greater Manchester/Cheshire | DDPO7 |
| Listening to local DDP - example of reinstatement of Safer Town initiative in Cheshire | DDPO7 |
| Listening to local DDP - example of NW regional public transport hate crime startegy | DDPO7 |

### Equality

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| Equality Act | |
| Public services need to be more aware of their responsibilities | CBCE27 |
| Unenforceable | FG5  CBCE27  CBCE28  DDPO32  CBCE7  CBCE16 |
| Socio-economic duty not brought into force | OO6 |
| COVID | |
| Used as an excuse to take forward regressions | CBCE16  CBCE6  CBCE14  FG1 |

### Freedom of expression

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| Peaceful protest blocked | |
| Police and Crime bill | DDPO33 |
| Police passing protestors details to DWP | DDPO33 |
| Police treating Disabled protestors roughly | DDPO33 |

### Hate crime

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| Significant issue for DDP | |
| Feeling unsafe on public transport | CBCE19  CBCE28 |
| Rise in online abuse | CBCE19 |
| Increase in disability hate crime | DDPO33  DDPO29  CBCE19  DDPO7 |
| Poor police response | CBCE27 |
| Disability Matters initiative by Met police not sustained | DDPO33 |
| Inadequacy of legislation | |
| No defined offence of disability hate crime | DDPO33  DDPO41 |
| No parity in hate crime legislation (for "stirring up" offences) | CBCE19  DDPO33  DDPO42  DDPO41 |
| Need for explicit intersectional hate crime | CBCE10  DDPO41 |
| Lack of prosecution | |
| To introduce a "by reason" of legal test for prosecuting as a hate crime | DDPO41  DDPO42 |
| Prosecutions have fallen | DDPO33 |
| Need social media platforms to do more | DDPO42 |

### Healthcare (pre-pandemic)

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| Lack of access/impact of cuts | |
| Lack of access to dentistry | CBCE32 |
| Lack of access to wheelchairs | CBCE32 |
| Cuts to CHC funding | CBCE32 |
| Shortage of Leaning Disability Nurses | CBCE27 |
| Pressures on medicines | CBCE32 |
| Less accessible systems introduced during COVID being kept | D.DP11 |
| Hospital closures disproportionate impact on Disabled people, especially in rural areas, them unable to reach healthcare due to distance/lack of transport to get there | CBCE31 |
| Priority to reduce spending over and above most appropriate treatment | DDPO12  CBCE32 |
| Accessibility | |
| Lack of accessible information | CBCE32  OO11 |
| Inaccessible complaints procedures | D.DP35 |
| Access to diagnosis | |
| Barriers to diagnosis | D.DP44  DDPO12 |
| Additional barriers for intersectional groups | |
| Asylum seekers/migrants (depending on status) | FG2 |
| Nomadic communities | OO5 |
| Deaf BSL users | OO11 |
| People who are neurodivergent | D.DP34 |
| People from BAME communities | FG1 |
| Need for culturally competent access | CBCE23 |
| No implementation of Autism Act | D.DP44  D.DP34  CBCE13 |
| People who are housebound | DDPO12 |
| Disabled women subject to gender bias affecting credibility afforded to patient's self-reported symptoms | DDPO12 |
| Unequal access | |
| Before the pandemic | CBCE16 |
| Disabled ppl (especially ppl with learning difficulties and living with mental distress) die considerably earlier | DDPO28  CBCE27  CBCE7  CBCE16 |
| Diagnostic overshadowing (particularly people with learning difficulties, mental distress, autistic people) - not being listened to or believed/"medical gaslighting" | CBCE14  CBCE31 |
| Lack of accessible information | FG4 |
| Slow introduction of alternative ways to breast screen for Disabled women | D.DP2 |
| Maternity services often inaccessible | CBCE16 |
| Failure to make reasonable adjustments to accommodate - social care providers too concerned Failure to make reasonable adjustments | CBCE31 |
| People with ELCI subject to iatrogenic harm | DDPO12 |
| Medically Unexplained Symptoms' disregarded as psychosomatic and not given appropriate treatment | DDPO12 |
| Digital exclusion - pandemic access regressions becoming permanent | CBCE16  D.DP11 |
| Biomedical research | |
| Needs greater investment in areas identified by lived experience | D.DP30  DDPO12 |
| Problem of biomedical researchers who have caused harm to patients and continue to refuse to respect lived experience | D.DP29  D.DP10  CBCE7  DDPO12 |
| NICE guidelines | |
| Difficulties DDP face to get NICE guidelines to reflect lived experience - where we have scientific evidence in support, has to meet much higher standards of robustness and quantity before it is listened to | D.DP10 |
| ME/CFS - positive that guidelines have now been revised but concerns this is not enough | D.DP30  D.DP10  CBCE7 |
| Staying healthy | |
| Inaccessible gyms | D.DP31 |

### Hostility

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| Hostility experienced | |
| By Disabled asylum seekers/refugees | FG2  DDPO15 |
| By Disabled members of GRT communities | CBCE10 |
| By Disabled GRT children at school | DDPO46 |
| Linked to COVID | |
| Against ppl unable to wear face masks for disability-related reasons | CBCE31 |
| Hostility and harassment | |
| By DWP | FG3  DDPO47  D.DP37  CBCE8 |
| Direct hostility towards DDP | |
| From public | DDPO42 CBCE17 |
| From WeG | FG2  D.DP29  CBCE11  CBCE9  CBCE27 DDPO42 CBCE28  CBCE6  CBCE8  CBCE13  CBCE14 |
| Benefit scrounger narrative | |
| Negative media portrayals | CBCE9  CBCE13  DDPO13 |
| Stops DDP asking for support - meanwhile things deteriorate | CBCE31 |
| Negatively affects society's perceptions | CBCE11  CBCE9  D.DP44  CBCE6  CBCE8  CBCE23 |
| Encourages wider attitude that DDP are "faking it" | CBCE31  FG1  CBCE8  DDPO14 |
| People afraid to refer to themselves as disabled for fear of hostile reactions | DDPO14 |
| People with ELCI particularly impacted by "faking it" attitudes and resulting aggression/hostility | DDPO14 |
| WeG not implemented Special Inquiry rec to undertake mass media campaign to promote positive images of benefit claimants | DDPO14 |

### Housing

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| Lack of suitable housing | |
| Need for more social housing |  |
| Asylum seekers not entitled to adaptations | FG2 |
| No housing adaptations for temporary accommodation | CBCE14 |
| Lack of accessible housing | CBCE10  DPPO36  FG2  CBCE9  D.DP28  FG1  CBCE8  CBCE7  CBCE13  CBCE14  CBCE16 |
| Private renting not suitable for DDP | CBCE21 |
| Difficulties getting adaptations | CBCE14 |
| Poor housing conditions exacerbating existing conditions/causing new impairments | OI1  CBCE8  D.DP22 |
| Disabled people having to live in older people's homes | FG2  FG1 |
| Homelessness | |
| Rise in among DDP | D.DP19 DDPO15 |
| Building works (adaptations/repairs) | |
| Problems caused by poor workmanship | D.DP22 OI1 CBCE16 |
| Supported living/care homes | |
| Lack of support for real independent living | CBCE10 CBCE27 CBCE28 |
| Lack of choice | CBCE9  CBCE27  CBCE28 |
| LAs building new supported living to increase income through housing benefits | DDPO6 |
| Providers building bigger and bigger "carehomes" | D.DP44 |
| Difficulties with housing workers | |
| Stress has exacerbated existing condition | CBCE8 |
| Not trusting DDP's own account of their impairment/support needs | D.DP28 |
| Lack of disability awareness | D.DP28 |

### Human Rights

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| Bill of Rights | |
| Concern human rights will be watered down | OO6  CBCE27 |
| EU withdrawal | |
| Loss of statutory footing of caselaw from the CJEU | OO6 |
| Concerns about no longer being under EU Charter of Fundamental Rights | CBCE27 |

### International Treaties

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| CEDAW | |
| Recommendation to introduce socio-economic duty not brought into force | OO6 |
| CESCR | |
| Recommendation to introduce socio-economic duty not brought into force | OO6 |
| Istanbul Convention | |
| WeG not ratified | DDPO33 |
| Oviedo Convention | |
| Gov will not oppose | DDPO28 |

### Intersectionality

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| Overlooked | |
| National Disability Strategy | DDPO30 |
| Mental Health Act Reform white paper | DDPO28 |
| Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy (VAWG) - VAWG points to National Disability Strategy which points to VAWG - neither addressed violence against Disabled women and girls | CBCE16 |
| Lack of awareness | |
| Need for training for services in trans awareness | D.DP31  CBCE23 |
| Stigma and lack of disability awareness | |
| Within intersex community | CBCE16 |
| Data | |
| Lack of disability disaggregated data |  |

### Institutionalisation

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| Human rights violations {psychiatric and ATUs] | |
| Substitute decision-making still legal | DDPO28  DDPO29  CBCE27 |
| Ppl moved many miles from their families | DDPO27 |
| Forced detentions still legal | DDPO28  DDPO29 |
| Use of restraint | CBCE10  DDPO5 |
| Deaths by neglect | CBCE10 |
| Forced treatment | CBCE24  DDPO29  DDPO28  D.DP27  CBCE16 |
| Subject to abuse | CBCE28  CBCE8  CBCE16 |
| Women subject to sexual violence | DDPO29  CBCE16 |
| Incarceration of autistic people/people with learning difficulties | |
| Gov missed successive targets for closure | OO1  CBCE9  CBCE27  CBCE8  CBCE7 |
| Rise in numbers detained in psychiatric hospitals | DDPO5  CBCE27 |
| Rise in numbers of children identified in mental health hospitals | DDPO5 |
| Rise in private hospitals | DDPO29 |
| Lack of community support delays discharge | CBCE27 CBCE28 |
| Over use of medication | CBCE27 |
| Removal of pwld/who are autistic from Mental Health Act | |
| Positive but can still be detained if they also have a mental health diagnosis | DDPO28 |
| Fears this will lead to more detentions under criminal law | DDPO5 |

### Justice

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| Cuts to legal aid | |
| Blocking access to justice | OO1  CBCE9  CBCE22  CBCE6  CBCE7  CBCE16 |
| Drastically reduced availability of legal aid lawyers | D.DP35 |
| No legal aid for discrimination/inequalities | D.DP35  CBCE27  CBCE14 |
| No legal aid for welfare | CBCE11 |
| Gap in advice and legal rights protections for people in supported living | OO1 |
| Creating deserts of legal advice | CBCE14  CBCE16 |
| Employment tribunals | |
| Need to prove you are Disabled - particular barrier for people who are neurodivergent | FG5 |
| Time limit to bring is too short | FG5 |
| Police | |
| Lack of disability awareness | D.DP43  CBCE16 |
| Poor responses to hate crimes | D.DP43  CBCE16 |
| Poor responses to sexual violence reported by Disabled women | CBCE16 |
| Lack of trust in police - victims of domestic abuse and sexual violence | DDPO33 |
| Not believing Disabled victims | CBCE16 |
| Lack of understanding/inappropriate responses to mental distress | D.DP8  CBCE24  D.DP27  D.DP9  CBCE6 |
| Use of tasers on Disabled ppl, eg people with learning difficulties who are lost | CBCE16 |
| Multi-agency failings | |
| Bubb report found national system totally inadequate - police/CJS/social care/MH trusts | DDPO4 |
| Shortage of advocacy | |
| Cuts to independent advocacy | FG1 |
| Advocacy support for disabled parents subject to child protection orders must be put on a statutory footing | OO8 |
| Leaving people with learning difficulties unable to exercise their legal capacity | OO1 |
| Shortage of advocacy for navigating benefits assessments | D.DP8  CBCE11 |
| Judicial review | |
| Government proposals to restrict access | CBCE9  CBCE6 |
| Accessibility | |
| Discrimination and lack of access in prisons | CBCE8 |
| Courts are inaccessible - lack of reasonable adjustments | DDPO33 |
| No easy read court information | OO8  CBCE16 |
| Detention centres lack appropriate provision for DDP | FG2 |
| Racism | |
| Throughout CJS | CBCE10 |

### Mental Capacity

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| Allows substitute decision-making | |
| Misuse in care homes | CBCE6 |
| Advance Care Directives | |
| Can be overruled by clinicians if they record their reasons | DDPO28  CBCE16 |
| Only count if person judged to "have capacity" when it is written | DDPO28  CBCE16 |
| Shortage of Independent Mental Capacity Advocates | |
| Leaves people unable to exercise their legal rights | OO1 |
| No WeG monitoring | OO1 |

### Mental Health System

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| Impact of cuts | |
| Long waiting lists | DDPO33  FG1 |
| Lack of community based support | CBCE10  D.DP7  CBCE5  CBCE14  CBCE16 |
| Limited access to specialist support | D.DP9 |
| Gaps filled by police | D.DP9 |
| Medical model entrenched | |
| Not compliant with UNCRDP | CBCE16 DDPO28 |
| Need for social model/trauma informed perspectives | D.DP36  DDPO29  DDPO28 |
| Lack of treatment options | CBCE24  DDPO33  D.DP7 |
| Ineffectiveness of IAPT/CBT | DDPO27  DDPO33 |
| Forced treatments | CBCE24  DDPO29  DDPO28  D.DP27  CBCE16 |
| Trauma caused by experiences with the MH system | D.DP27  CBCE24  DPPO29 |
| Over use of drugs and iatrogenic harm | D.DP27  CBCE27  DDPO29  D.DP36 |
| Lack of (accessible) information about medication side effects | D.DP36  FG4 |
| Mental Health Act Review | |
| Inadequate consultation and engagement | FG5  CBCE10 |
| Failure to take human rights model approach | DDPO28  DDPO29 |
| Intersectional gaps including class | DDPO28  CBCE16 |
| Forensic patients fewer new rights as if second class citizens | DDPO28 |
| Positive practice | |
| Social prescribing | D.DP24 |
| User led initiatives, eg Hearing Voices | D.DP24 |
| Intersectionality | |
| Racism within MH system | D.DP27  D.DP36  DDPO28  DDPO29  CBCE16 |
| Mother and baby units often inaccessible | CBCE16 |

### Politics and Democracy

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| Election funds to cover support/access costs | |
| Importance of this for equal participation | CBCE9  CBCE16 |
| Voting being inaccessible | |
| Inadequacy of arrangements for blind voters | OO9 |
| Lack of representation in politics | |
| Lack of Disabled MPs | DDPO48  CBCE16 |
| No job-sharing for MPs | CBCE9  CBCE25 |
| MPs having to fight for reasonable adjustments | FG5 |
| Retention of remote participation through hybrid meetings to keep pandemic access gains necessary for addressing lack of representation | CBCE25  CBCE16 |
| No monitoring of numbers of Disabled MPs | DDPO48 |
| Allowances count as income and affect benefits | CBCE25 |
| Increasing barriers | |
| Introduction of voter ID |  |

### Poverty and inadequate incomes

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| Increasing poverty | |
| Disportionate impact on DDP | D.DP14  CBCE28  CBCE23 CBCE14  CBCE16 |
| Rising cost of living | CBCE16 |
| Causes digital poverty | CBCE10 |
| Disproportionate impact on women | CBCE16 |
| Additional impact for those subject to multiple oppressions | CBCE23 |
| Low benefit levels | |
| Need for increased benefit payments | DDPO47  DDPO26  CBCE7  CBCE16 |
| Rise in malnutrition | D.DP4 |
| Migrants with No Recourse to Public Funds | FG2 |
| Disabled asylum seekers on just £39.63 per week | FG2 |
| Disabled asylum seekers - no extra costs for disability | FG2 |
| No recourse to Public Funds | |
| Pushes Disabled women into abusive/exploitative situations | CBCE16 |

### Right to Life

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| Assisted suicide | |
| repeated attempts to legalise | CBCE32  CBCE23  CBCE13 |
| Denial of life saving treatment | |
| SIM programme | DDPO34 |

### Situations of Risk

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| Counter-terrorism | |
| DDP subject to PREVENT | D.DP33 |
| Concern over counter-terrorism not respecting human rights | D.DP32  D.DP33 |
| Specific measures having adverse impact on disabled people | D.DP31  CBCE31 |

### Social care support

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| Care Act 2014 | |
| Failure to implement | CBCE9  DDPO27  CBCE6  DDPO2 |
| Independent over-sight of implementation needed | OO1 |
| Consequence of social care cuts | |
| Shortage of speciaist VI rehabilitation officers | OO9  CBCE7 |
| NHS bed-blocking | D.DP23 |
| Continued institutionalisation of people with learning difficultes/autistic people | OO1  DDPO5  CBCE27 |
| DDP living in the community at risk of exploitation, abuse and violence | OO2  DDPO26 |
| Reliance on ageing parents | D.DP14  CBCE27 |
| Deprivation of liberty | OO1 |
| Isolation | CBCE8 |
| Safeguarding failings (Disabled children & adults) | DDPO2  DDPO33 |
| More burdensome systems leading to some disengaging from support altogether | D.DP22 |
| "Mate" crime and cuckooing | OO1 |
| Drug and alcohol addiction | OO1 |
| Violation of DDP's right to life | OO1  DDPO26 |
| Shortage of advocacy | D.DP34 |
| Insufficient support to ensure DDP stay safe and healthy | CBCE10  DDPO26 |
| Increased removals of children from Disabled parents - leading in turn to increased Children Protection budgets | DDPO33  OO8 |
| Domestic abuse and dependency | DDPO16 |
| Lack of / inadequate support | |
| Significant unmet need | CBCE7 |
| Due to financial test and assets threshold | FG3 |
| For disabled parents | OO8  CBCE27  CBCE6  D.DP44  DDPO16 |
| For autistic people | D.DP34 |
| For people with No Recourse to Public Funds | CBCE16 |
| Councils out-source telephone lines to call centres and make it harder to get through - reduces demand | CBCE10 |
| Social workers do not communicate in accessible ways | CBCE10 |
| Lack of personalised support by support agencies | CBCE11 |
| CQC inadequacies | CBCE27  CBCE28  CBCE16 |
| Social care assessments often don't follow Care Act | DDPO2 |
| Transition from child to adult services | CBCE16  D.DP42 |
| Coercion over reproductive choices of Disabled women instead of support to parent | DDPO33  OO8  CBCE27 |
| Complaints procedures | |
| Inaccessible | OO1 |
| Burdensome and lengthy | CBCE10 |
| Direct Payments | |
| Lack of support for managing | CBCE22 |
| LAs not paying enough to recruit PAs | D.DP4 |
| Increasing burden on recipients | FG3  CBCE22  CBCE8  FG1  CBCE7 |
| Reduced choice and control | DDPO2  DDPO16 |
| Lack of engagement with DDPOs | |
| By Secretary of State for Health and Social Care | D.DP29 |
| Over National Independent Living Support Service | FG4  DDPO5  CBCE27 |
| Social care charging | |
| Undermines support | FG2  DDPO27  CBCE7  DDPO2 |
| Increases poverty | CBCE23  D.DP34  DDPO26  DDPO27  OI1  CBCE9  CBCE7  DDPO2  CBCE16 |
| Inaccessible financial assessments | DDPO4  DDPO2 |
| No accessible information on DRE | DDPO4 |
| Postcode lottery | CBCE22 |
| The minimum income guarantee did not increase while benefits were frozen but cost of living did increase | D.DP1 |
| Social care crisis | |
| "Broken" social care system | DDPO26  CBCE8 |
| LAs making significant cuts to social care budgets | DDPO7 |
| Councillors making cuts packaged with positive spin lose trust of local DDP | DDPO7 |
| Cuts to social care packages (LA and CHC) | CBCE10  DDPO6  FG1  CBCE6  CBCE7 |
| Replacing support with assistive technology to save money | DDPO6 |
| Waiting times for assessments/support | FG3  D.DP4  CBCE14  CBCE8 |
| Social care funding crisis | FG4  CBCE9  CBCE7  CBCE14  CBCE16 |
| Lack of support for CYP | OO4  OO13 |
| Disabled people pressured to do into care homes against their wishes | CBCE10 |
| Social care workforce | |
| Inadequate training | D.DP44 |
| Unvalued | CBCE7 |
| Reliance on European workforce pre-EU withdrawal due to low pay | D.DP4 |
| Even more more difficult recruiting in rural areas | DDPO43 |
| Homophobia makes it harder for LGBTQ+ DDP to recruit | DDPO30  CBCE22 |
| DDP forced to employ unsuitable PAs - putting themselves at risk | D.DP4 |
| Recruitment crisis | D.DP4  CBCE10  DDPO26  FG1  CBCE7  CBCE14  CBCE16 |

### Social model of disability

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| Lack of understanding and implementation of | |
| Importance of social model | FG4 |

### Statistics and data collection

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| Lack of disability disaggregated data | |
| UN Expert Group on Disability Data, Statistics, Monitoring and Evaluation identified need for disaggregated disability data | DDPO33 |
| Data gaps | |
| Disabled parents subject to court proceedings to remove children | OO8 |
| Violence vs Deaf & Disabled women and girls | DDPO33 |
| DDP affected by other forms of hate crime | DDPO33 |
| Data on umet social care need relating to BAME and LGBTQ+ communities | OO1 |
| Inaccessible | |
| Certain official figures published in complex data tables | DDPO33 |

### Struggle of survival

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| Life is harder than ever for DDP | |
| Constant work of proving you are Disabled within inaccessible and increasingly burdensome systems for ever smaller amounts of support & supporting each other | FG3  FG1  D.DP37  CBCE17  CBCE7 |

### UNCRPD

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| UK implementation | |
| Not being implemented | DDPO26  CBCE5  CBCE9  CBCE11  CBCE6  CBCE14  CBCE16 |
| Needs monitoring | DDPO30 |
| Needs to include intersectionality | DDPO30 |
| Need to be enshrined in domestic legislation | FG5  DDPO26 |
| No right to independent living | DDPO26  DDPO29  CBCE13 |
| No one taking responsibility for Article 19 rights | CBCE6 |
| National Disability Strategy lacks info on how specific articles can be progressed | DDPO30 |
| Retrogression since 2017 | DDPO26  CBCE9  CBCE17  CBCE15  CBCE16  CBCE17  CBCE18  CBCE19  CBCE20  CBCE21  CBCE22  CBCE23  CBCE24  CBCE25  CBCE32  CBCE33  FG1  CBCE6  CBCE8  CBCE14 |
| Lack of promotion | |
| Social workers (responsible for providing access to independent living support) are not trained in it/don't know what it is | D.DP9 |
| Reservations | |
| Article 18 | FG2  CBCE23 |
| Article 24 | DDPO46  DDPO35 |

### Violence and abuse

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| Violence against women and girls | |
| Limitations of VAWG strategy for covering DDP | DDPO33 |
| Domestic abuse | |
| Rejection of DDPOs amendment to include carer abuse | DDPO33 |
| Lack of accessible refuges/specialist support | DDPO33 CBCE28 CBCE14 |
| Postcode lottery in support for survivors | CBCE28 |

### Well-being

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| Importance of activism | D.DP27 |