

## CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

**Q. 2 Can you give examples, either locally or nationally, of what you think has worked well over the last 10 years of *The same as you*?**

Please provide any comments and/or examples here

TWEEDDALE BRANCH OF INTEREST LINK BORDERS  
THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT THIS ORGANISATION  
HAS PROVIDED FOR PEOPLE WITH LEARNING  
DISABILITIES TO EXPERIENCE ACTIVITIES  
AND SOCIAL INTERACTION HAS WORKED REALLY  
WELL. BY CHOOSING VOLUNTEERS CAREFULLY  
TO BEFRIEND SOMEONE WITH THE SAME  
INTERESTS IN LIFE, WOULD BE MOST IMPORTANT.

### Good Practice - Individuals

**Q.5 What have you done, as an individual, to make positive changes within your local area?**

Please provide any comments and/or examples here

AS AN INDIVIDUAL I HAVE HELPED SOMEONE  
TO EXPERIENCE ACTIVITIES IN THE COMMUNITY  
SUCH AS EATING OUT AND USING PUBLIC TRANSPORT  
BEFRIENDING SOMEONE WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES  
HAS GIVEN ME GREAT SATISFACTION TO KNOW I  
HAVE HELPED THIS PERSON TO ENJOY THE THINGS  
IN LIFE THAT WE TAKE FOR GRANTED.  
FOR AROUND 9 YEARS I HAVE BEFRIENDED AND  
I KNOW THAT I HAVE HELPED MY "BODDY"  
TO BECOME MORE CONFIDENT & MATURE  
WHEN OUT AND ABOUT.

## Future Priorities

**Q.10 What future priorities do we need to focus on?  
(Please list these in order of importance with the most important first)**

Please provide any comments and/or examples here

FIRST OF ALL WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO  
BECOME BEFRIENDERS  
"ESPECIALLY MALES"

INTEREST LINK BORDERS IS DOING A GREAT  
JOB IN MAKING THE PUBLIC AWARE OF WHAT  
WE ARE TRYING TO DO.

ALL OF THIS TAKES A LOT OF MONEY TO  
CARRY OUT, SO TO CARRY ON INTO THE FUTURE  
FINANCE WILL BE MOST IMPORTANT.

**Thank you for taking the time to respond to the questionnaire. Your continued input and support is vital in ensuring that we continue to close the inequality gap that people with a learning disability face daily.**

**All completed questionnaires should be returned to Sarah Grant either by e-mail or at the address below. The closing date for responses is 30<sup>th</sup> September 2012.**

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