

Independent Review of Adult Disability Payment

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Dear Convenor,

Independent Review of Adult Disability Payment: Publication of Interim Report

I am writing to inform Committee members that the interim report for the Independent Review of Adult Disability Payment has now been published. I am pleased to enclose a copy with this letter. A copy is also available online at:
<https://www.gov.scot/isbn/9781836019411>

The interim report also sets out what I believe are initial priorities capable of early action for the Scottish Government and Social Security Scotland. These actions aim to ensure that Adult Disability Payment meets the needs of disabled people.

I have engaged with disabled people and stakeholders to gather their views, expertise, and experiences of Adult Disability Payment to date. I have sought to capture these insights in the contents and recommendations of the interim report.

I have published a public consultation and call for evidence, supported by several engagement events. The findings from the analysis of the consultation will help to inform the next phase of the Independent Review, drawing upon people's shared experiences.

The on-going interest of the Committee to the work of the Independent Review of Adult Disability Payment is greatly appreciated. I am looking forward to engaging with Committee members further during the next phase of the Review.

If you would like to contact me to discuss the Interim Report further, please send me an email to: ADPReview@gov.scot. You can also contact David George, Head of Secretariat for the Review.

Yours sincerely

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