

Partners in Policymaking 2026 - 2027



A Leadership Development Programme for Parents of disabled children and disabled adults.

Application Form

The information you provide in this application form will be treated in confidence.

PERSONAL INFORMATION



Full name:



Address:



Post Code:



Email:



Phone:



Date of Birth:

Have you had any support to complete this form?

  

Has someone completed this form on your behalf?

  

APPLYING FOR YOURSELF AS A DISABLED ADULT



Do you have a disability?

  

Please tell us about how your disability affects your life.



Please tell us about any support you receive.

APPLYING AS A PARENT OR GUARDIAN

If you are the parent or guardian of a child with a disability (up to the age of 18), please answer the following:



How many disabled children are in your family?



Child's name:



Child's age:

Tell us a little about what life is like for your child/children:



Please tell us about the way in which your child's disability affects your life.



Please tell us about any services and supports your child/children are currently receiving.

ABOUT THE PROGRAMME



Please tell us what interests you about the Partners in Policymaking programme?



Is there anything in particular you think the programme can help you with?

ABOUT YOU



Partners in policymaking is designed for people who want to gain campaigning and advocacy skills, and although these skills are not a requirement for this program, it would be helpful if you could let us know if you have been involved in trying to improve things for disabled people before.



This might include:

- Membership of groups, clubs, advocacy organisation or support groups.
- Direct experience of speaking up for disabled people or yourself.
- Experience in negotiating supports for either yourself or your family.



You can tell us about anything you are involved in or have been involved in here:

WHAT WE EXPECT FROM YOU



There are certain things we will expect from our participants during the programme, these include:



To undertake course work between sessions.



To attend all sessions throughout the programme and turn up on time.



To let us know as soon as possible if you are not able to attend or are going to be late (*we understand that unexpected things happen and will take this into account*).



To take part in group activities, which will include speaking in front of others.

Please note if participants fail to attend more than 1 session, they may be unable to continue on the course.

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM US



There are certain things our participants can expect from us , these include:



We will treat all participants as equal and with respect.



We will provide any additional support to those participants who require it to enable them to progress in the programme.



We will ceate a safe environment where participants can feel confident in speaking out and sharing their stories with the group.

We will provide the materials and tools required by participants at each session throughout the programme.

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

Each participant is expected to make their own arrangements to attend the programme, but we recognise that in some circumstances, some participants may need some additional support such as:



Assistance with using the course materials and completing the assignments.



Help towards travel costs to attend the sessions.



Aids and adaptations to assist with learning, i.e, course materials provided in a suitable format.



Specific special requirements, i.e., dietary, fully adapted and accessible bedroom.



Support to attend the programme (*support on the course should not be from a family member or a previous graduate.*)

Please detail any additional support you think you may require to attend the course. (*please note that any support arrangement NOT identified in your application may not be supported if offered a place.*)

PROGRAMME SESSIONS



It is important that participants attend all sessions. Please check the table below and tick any of the dates you would be unable to attend: (Please note that session times are 11.00 am - 9.00 pm on the Friday and 9.00 am - 4.00 pm on the Saturday).



Session 1

Friday, 18th and Saturday, 19th September 2026.



Session 2

Friday, 9th and Saturday, 10th October 2026.



Session 3

Friday, 27th and Saturday, 28th November 2026.



Session 4

Friday, 11th and Saturday, 12th December 2026.



Session 5

Friday, 22nd and Saturday, 23rd January 2027.



Session 6

Friday, 19th and Saturday, 20th February 2027.



Session 7

Friday, 5th and Saturday, 6th March 2027.



Session 8

Friday, 26th and Saturday, 27th March 2027.

REFERENCES



There may be a large number of applications and we may need to seek references in order to help us shortlist participants. Please provide two if possible. (**not a family member**)

Reference 1

Reference 2

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



If there is any other information you would like to tell us about that you think may support your application, please tell us here:

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT PARTNERS IN POLICYMAKING PROGRAMME?



Please tell us here how you heard about the programme:

In Control Scotland. Local Authority. Provider Organisation.
Friend. Social Media. _____
(which platform, i.e., facebook, linkedin.)
Other.

If other:

SIGN & DATE



Date application completed: _____



Signature: _____

COMPLETED APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SENT TO:



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c/o Neighbourhood Networks
Suite 421a, The Pentagon Centre
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Glasgow
G3 8AZ

Email to: june.d@in-controlscotland.org.uk

CLOSING DATE FOR COMPLETED APPLICATIONS
26TH JUNE 2026

Thank you for taking the time to complete this application