

Consultation Results

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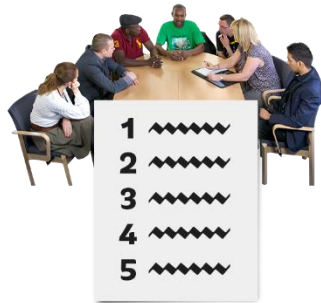


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Consultation results



We did our formal consultations in July and August.



We spoke to 43 people, at 5 different services.



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We spoke to people:

- from every district
- both under and over 25 years
- with learning disabilities and/or autism, and those
- with high support needs and their family/carers.





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We asked people about technology – which means using science to help you do something.



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We asked people

- what technologies they have
- what they use, and
- what they don't use (and why)

We also asked 5 questions on behalf of Adele and the Digital Team - more about this later.



Mobile phones

- 2/3 of the people we spoke to had a mobile phone
- Some people needed some support to use them



Mobile phones



- Lots of people use them for
 - Apps and games
 - talking and texting family and carers
- A few people use a mobile phone
 - to watch sport
 - facetime/skype with family and friends, and
 - set calendars and alarms

Mobile phones



- High Support Needs – most of this group did not own mobile phones but some used them with support– normally to facetime or skype family and friends
- Most of the autism group had, and regularly used, mobile phones: to text, play games and watch sport, and less often to talk to people.

Electric wheelchairs



- 6 people have electric wheelchairs
- But 2 people said they didn't use them
 - one needed help to use voice controls, and
 - One said the motor had stopped working so the father, in ill health himself, has to push the wheelchair.

Microwave Ovens



29 people had microwaves and most people use them, some have help to do this. 4 people have microwaves but don't use them because:

- They don't know how to use it
- It's too high for them to reach,
- They find it difficult physically to use one, and
- They are scared of getting hurt.

Washing machines



- 31 people had washing machines, and 20 people use them.
- All the others say family or carers do the washing for them.



Alexa and ipads



- A few people use Alexa /Echo dots to remind them to do things
- 16 people in our survey had ipads, tablets or switch communication devices



Other technologies we use



- Bedtime monitors
- Alarms
- CD player
- Digital radio
- Hair clippers
- Fan
- PS3 PS4
- DS
- Ring Can puller



Why aren't we using technology



“Device has stopped working and I don't know how to get it mended”

“I need help to use it”

“I need someone else to set it up”

“I am not allowed to use the internet because its not safe”

“I didn't know you could do that!”



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We think this means:

- Lots of people find technology very helpful for their everyday lives
- Many of us need extra help so we can make more use of the technology we already have
- There is a lot of technology around to help us – but we don't always know about it



Adele and the Digital Team



We also asked 5 questions from the Digital Team about the using technology to increase independence. We put the answers into their online survey.



Adele will tell you about those results later. And we will add a few comments then about what we found.





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Any questions?

