

The National Housing Strategy for Persons with Disabilities, 2022-2027 is being developed this year



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The New National Housing Strategy Consultation

The National Housing Strategy for People with a Disability (2011-2016 (extended to 2020)) will come to an end this year. A new national strategy is now being developed. The strategy is about facilitating the provision of housing options and related services to disabled people to allow individual choice and support independent living.

Do you have a disability, care for a disabled person or work in supporting independent living for disabled persons? If yes, have your say on the plan.

We want to hear your views on the current strategy and what you would like to see included in the new national strategy. In order to get involved today, fill out this 10–15-minute questionnaire. The survey is anonymous and confidential.

A further round of consultation on the drafted aim and objectives will be carried out over the Summer and Autumn months.

Thank you for taking the time to let us know your views, which will feed into the development of the new strategy.

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Tell us about yourself

To help us understand / analyse the answers that you provide it is useful for us to understand a few details about you. The following questions will support this. The information you provide will be strictly confidential and anonymous.

1. Please tell us who you are? (Please tick all that are appropriate)

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|---|--------------------------|
| Disabled person | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A family member of a disabled person | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A carer for a disabled person | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A healthcare professional | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A staff member of Non-Governmental Organisation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A staff member of a Local Authority | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A staff member of an Approved Housing Body | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A staff member of the HSE | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A staff member of a disability service | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A member of the public | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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2. Please tick the county do you live in?

| | | | | | |
|---------|--------------------------|----------|--------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| Carlow | <input type="checkbox"/> | Kildare | <input type="checkbox"/> | Tipperary | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Cavan | <input type="checkbox"/> | Kilkenny | <input type="checkbox"/> | Offaly | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Clare | <input type="checkbox"/> | Laois | <input type="checkbox"/> | Roscommon | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Cork | <input type="checkbox"/> | Leitrim | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sligo | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Donegal | <input type="checkbox"/> | Limerick | <input type="checkbox"/> | Waterford | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Dublin | <input type="checkbox"/> | Longford | <input type="checkbox"/> | Westmeath | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Galway | <input type="checkbox"/> | Louth | <input type="checkbox"/> | Wexford | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Kerry | <input type="checkbox"/> | Mayo | <input type="checkbox"/> | Wicklow | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Kildare | <input type="checkbox"/> | Monaghan | <input type="checkbox"/> | | <input type="checkbox"/> |

3. What is your age range?

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|----------|--------------------------|
| Under 18 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 18-24 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 25-34 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 35-44 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 45-54 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 55-64 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 65+ | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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4. The current strategy outlines 4 categories of disability. Please select the category appropriate to your situation, either as lived experience / carer / working in the sector etc? (Please tick all that are appropriate)

| | |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Physical | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Intellectual | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mental Health | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Sensory | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Prefer not to say | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Not applicable | <input type="checkbox"/> |

5. Is there anything else you would like to share with us about you that will help us understand your experience in relation to housing?

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Thinking about how the National Housing Strategy for People with a Disability (2011-2016 (extended 2021)) has worked...

6. Prior to today, were you aware of the National Housing Strategy for People with a Disability (2011 - 2016 (extended to 2020))?

| | |
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| Yes | |
| No | |

7. Do you think that access to housing for people with a disability has improved over the lifetime of the National Housing Strategy for People with a Disability (2011 - 2016 (extended to 2020))?

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|-------------------|--|
| Stayed the same | |
| Improved somewhat | |
| Improved greatly | |
| Unsure | |

Please provide reasons for your answer.

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8. The below points were some of the focuses in the strategy. Please rank these from 1- 6 in order of importance to you.

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| Equality in accessing housing options. | |
| Relevant agencies working together to facilitate a person-centred approach to the delivery of housing and support services. | |
| To support people with a disability to live independently. | |
| Provide housing and supports for people moving out of congregated settings. | |
| Provide housing and supports for people moving out of mental health facilities. | |
| A coordinated approach to the design and delivery of housing and supports | |
| To facilitate people with a disability to access advice and information in respect of their housing needs. | |

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9. Are you aware of the detailed initiatives under this strategy?

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| Not aware | |
| Somewhat aware | |
| Very aware | |

10. Are you aware that each local authority has a Local Strategic Plan in their area, which sets delivery targets to meet the housing needs for people with a disability?

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| Yes | |
| No | |

11. Are you aware that each local authority has a Housing and Disability Steering Group to assist with the implementation of the strategy in their area?

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| Yes | |
| No | |

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12. Are you aware that your Local Authority and the HSE can work together to support people with a disability to live independently or stay in their home?

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| Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| No | <input type="checkbox"/> |

13. Which of the following housing options are you aware of?
(Please tick all that apply)

| | |
|---|--------------------------|
| Housing provided directly by your Local Authority | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Housing provided by Approved Housing Bodies | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Housing Adaptation Grants for Older People and People with a Disability | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| None of these | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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14. Do you feel the housing options available are communicated effectively to the general public?

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| Yes | |
| No | |

If no, how can this be improved?

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15. In your opinion, how do you think the pathways to accessing the range of housing options can be improved?

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Looking to the New National Strategy in 2022...

16. In your opinion, how can more opportunities for independent living be provided?

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17. Organisations such as the HSE, Local Authorities, and Service Providers work together to support the delivery of housing to disabled people.

In your opinion, how can inter-agency working be strengthened to support this?

18. In your opinion, what are the challenges that you see facing disabled persons accessing mainstream housing?

Challenge 1

Challenge 2

Challenge 3

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19. Which of the following initiatives under National Housing Strategy for People with a Disability (2011 - 2016 (extended to 2020)) do you think should be continued or expanded in the new strategy? (Please tick all that are appropriate)

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| Housing and Disability Steering Groups to drive interagency cooperation at local level | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Local Strategic Plans | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mental Health Tenancy Sustainment Officers | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Production of Easy Read and Plain English Documentation | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Are there any other initiatives in the current strategy you would like to see included?

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| <input type="text"/> |
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20. If you could propose three actions for the new strategy, what would these be?

Action 1

Action 2

Action 3

21. Is there anything you would like to add for consideration in the development of the new strategy?