

Mass lobby of Parliament - 6 March 2012

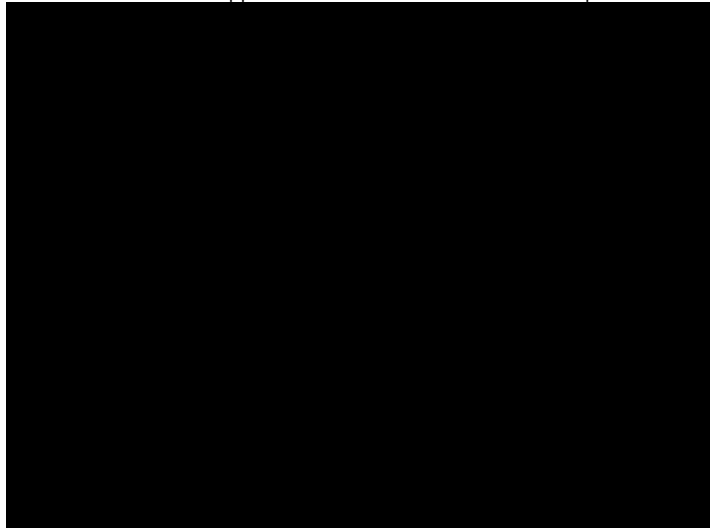


On 6 March 2012, hundreds of disabled people, older people and their families came to London to talk to their MP. Deafblind people were there to call for adequate funding for specialist services and mobility and communication needs to be met.

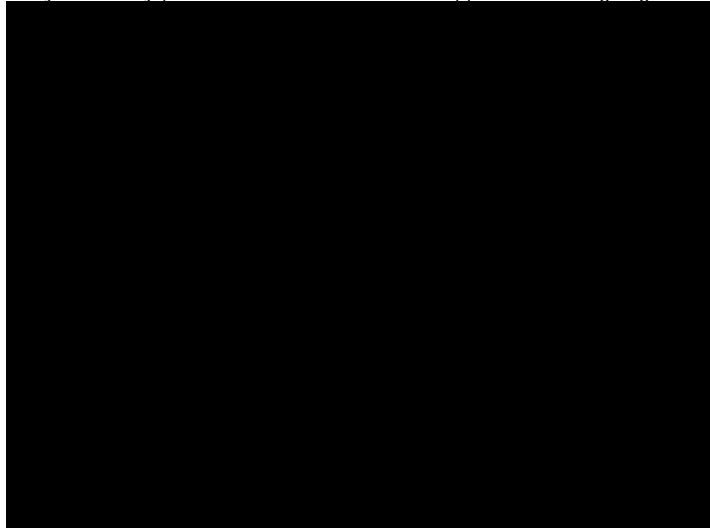
The lobby was organised by The Care and Support Alliance, representing over 50 organisations including Sense.

Read comments from deafblind people, their families and friends, updated live on the day, below

4.36pm (transcribed from video below) 'I don't want my hours to be reduced or lost. I want to continue going to deafblind events which I wouldn't be able to do if I didn't have support and I would be isolated and depressed.' - Janet from Manchester



4.01pm (transcribed from video below) 'It was a pleasure to be invited to the Care and Support Alliance day at Westminster. After meeting my MP Jake Berry I felt very positive and think he will be supportive. He is going to write to the minister.' - Hayley from Rossendale



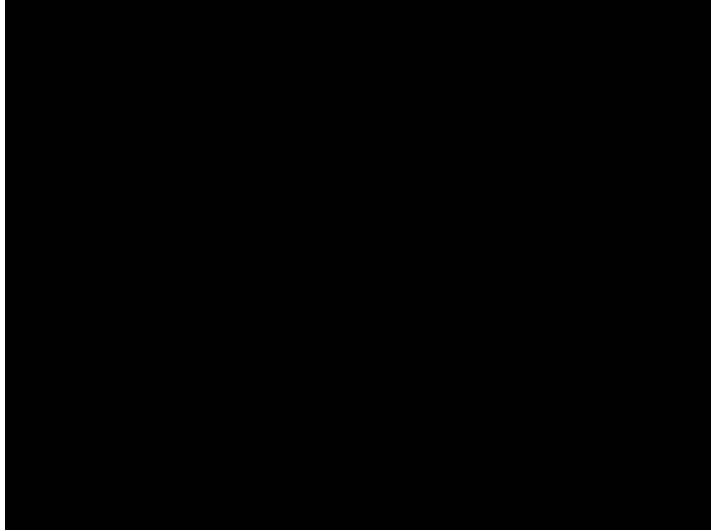
2.45pm (transcribed from video below) 'I'm the Chief Exec of Sense. I'm hugely proud to be here today. I'm always inspired by the deafblind people I meet. They've got a huge amounts to contribute to society. They should be valued but they need mobility and communication support to play their full part in their communities.' - Gill Morbey from London





2.35pm 'Just a few hours of social care every week enables me to have something of a life and that means that I can get out and work.' - Liz, Sense campaigner

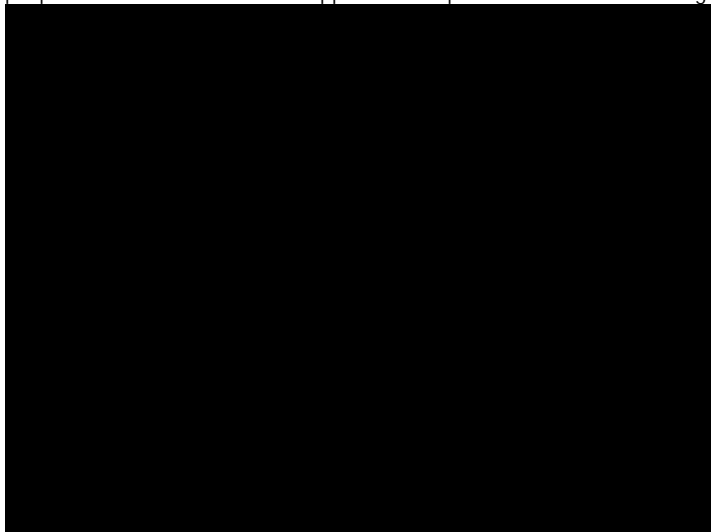
2.11pm (transcribed from video below) Some MPs say that they want to hear more about social care from their constituents.' - Liz, Sense campaigner



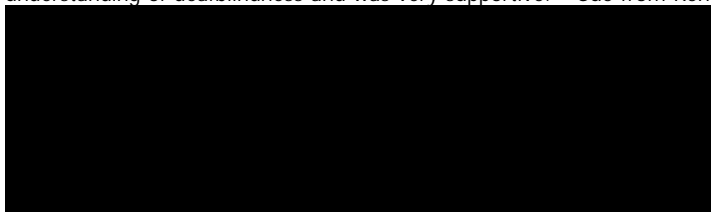
1.57pm Gill Morbey's here, the CEO of Sense tweeting that Sense are proud to be part of the care lobby.

1.09pm Hundreds of older people and disabled people gather outside the Houses of Parliament to voice their concerns about the government's proposed changes to social care. (see photo above).

12.50pm (transcribed from video below) 'If David Cameron the Prime Minister was here today I would ask him why he's hitting the vulnerable and the people who need considerable support and help.' - Pauline from Cambridgeshire

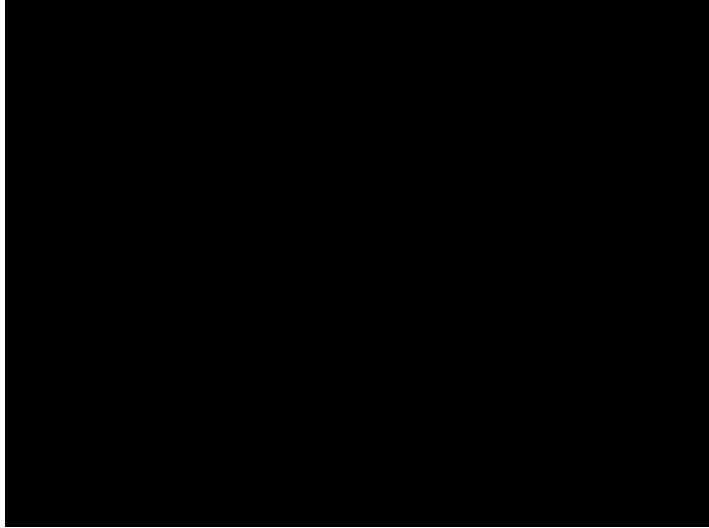


12.24pm (transcribed from video below) 'I am here today to meet my sons' MP Tracy Crouch and after talking to her I felt she had a much better understanding of deafblindness and was very supportive.' - Sue from Kent



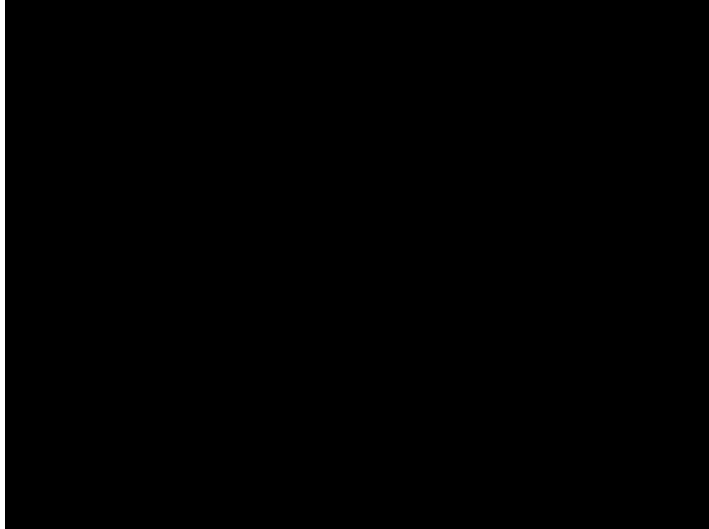


12.08pm (transcribed from video below) 'Dear Mr Cameron. I think social care is important and the policy should be included in the document you are going to write.' - Hayley from Rossendale



11.48am MP Tracey Crouch tweets: Met with two local people at care #twobby regarding social care changes effecting (sic) deafblind people @SenseTweets. Will write to Minister.

9.38am We're now here at Church House in Westminster getting ready for today's mass lobby.



Tweet a question to your MP

If you have a Twitter account, you can also be part of the lobby by tweeting a question about social care to your MP. Use the hashtags #carecrisis and #twobby to show that you're part of the online lobby.

You can find out if your MP is on Twitter using [Tweetminster](#).