



Ministry
of Justice



Changing laws about lasting power of attorney (LPA)

Answer booklet

We want to know what you think



EasyRead version



Please keep the document called ‘Changing laws about lasting power of attorney’ next to you to help understand the questions.

Proposal 1: About the person who watches the donor sign an LPA – the witness

Question 1:



1a. There does not need to be a witness.

I like this and agree

I do not like this and disagree

I don't know



1b. Someone can witness the donor and the attorney signing the LPA through a video call.

I like this and agree

I do not like this and disagree

I don't know



1c. I don't think anyone needs to witness the LPA.

I like this and agree

I do not like this and disagree

I don't know



Do you want to tell us more?

Proposal 2: About what happens when you send the LPA to the OPG and how quickly the OPG are able to check it.



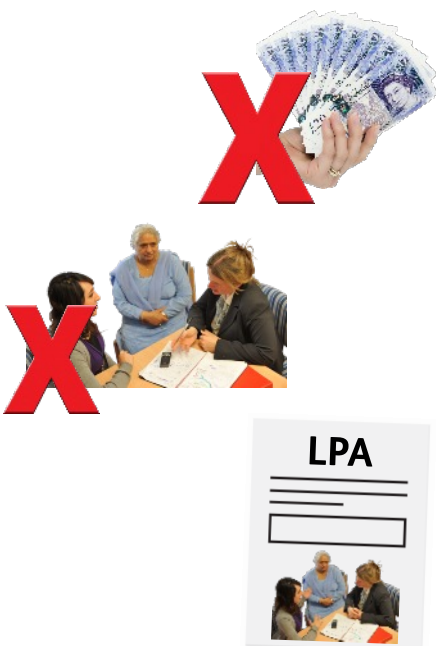
Question 2

When the donor fills out the form to make an LPA, the donor then sends it to the OPG to register it.



Please answer question 2a OR 2b depending on when you would send in the LPA.

2a. If you would not want to send the LPA to be registered as soon as it has been filled in, please tick the reasons why:

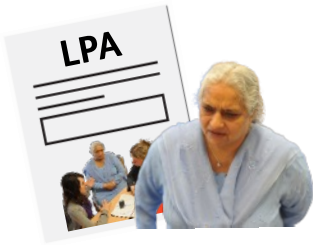


I do not want to pay the fee yet

I cannot pay the fee straight away

I do not want my attorneys to start making decisions now

I might want to change something in the LPA



The LPA was made after I got ill
and I am waiting to register the
LPA later

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Other reason

I don't know

2b. If you would send the LPA to be
registered as soon as it has been filled
in, please tick the reasons why:



I do not think there is a good
reason to wait

Someone told me I have to do it
straight away

I am not well so I need an LPA now

I have to make a decision about
my money now

?

Other reason

Do you want to tell us more?





Question 3

The donor has to send their LPA for registration as soon as it is filled in.

I like this and agree

I do not like this and do not want this

I don't know



Do you want to tell us more?

Proposal 3: About how the OPG checks that people are who they say they are (their identity) and what action the OPG can take if it is worried in any way about an LPA.

Question 4

Who do you think should have their identity checked?



The person who the LPA is about (donor)

The person who can make decisions for the donor (attorney)

The certificate provider

I don't know

Other (please specify)

?

Do you want to tell us more?



Question 5

How will OPG check that people are who they say they are?



1. OPG will tell people exactly what ID documents they must show.

I like this and agree

I do not like this and do not want this

I don't know

2. The OPG will accept different types of documents from each person.



I like this and agree

I do not like this and do not want this

I don't know

Do you want to tell us more?



Proposal 4: How to make it easy for people to tell the OPG if they are worried in any way about the LPA.

Question 6



How to say if you are worried in any way about how an LPA has been made. This is called an objection.

1. OPG handles all objections.

I like this and agree

I do not like and do not want this

I don't know



2. OPG only handle some objections (like when a person with an LPA dies).

I like this and agree

I do not like and do not want this

I don't know





Question 7

Do you think the OPG should be able to tell the Court of Protection if they have a concern about how an LPA was made?

Yes

No

I don't know



Do you want to tell us more?

Proposal 5: When is the best time for people to object (say they have a worry in any way about) how an LPA was made?

Question 8

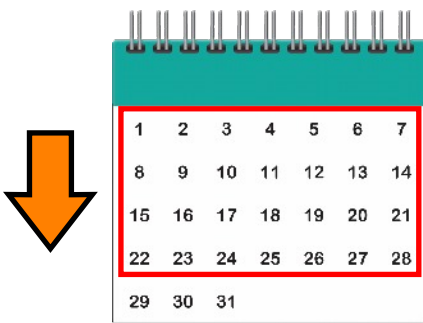
When the form is being filled out.



I like this idea

I do not like this idea

I don't know



Give people less time to object once the form has been sent to the OPG.

I like this idea

I do not like this idea

I don't know



Remove the objection time and put in a different way for people to object.

I like this idea

I do not like this idea

I don't know

Proposal 6: Registering an LPA quickly if you need it in an emergency.

Question 9



Is an urgent service important to you?

Yes, I need an LPA registered in less than 2 weeks

No

I don't know



Can you tell us more?



Question 10

Only for service providers to answer.



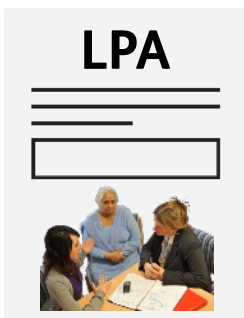
Proposal 7: How legal people (solicitors) can help.

Question 11

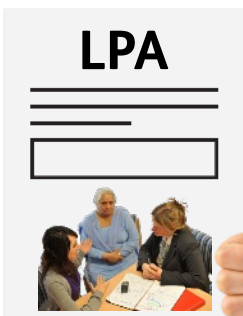
Only for solicitors to answer.

More questions (if you want to say more)

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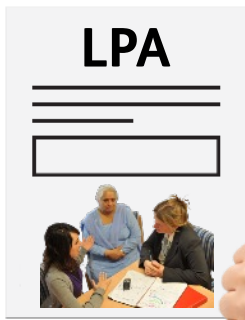


Do you want to say anything more about the way changing the LPA process will affect you?



Can you think of any other good things about these changes?





Can you think of any other bad things about these changes?



These changes try to look out for every race, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, religion or belief, pregnancy and maternity, gender reassignment, marriage/civil partnership.



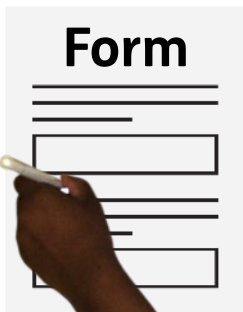
Do you want to say anything more about this?

About you



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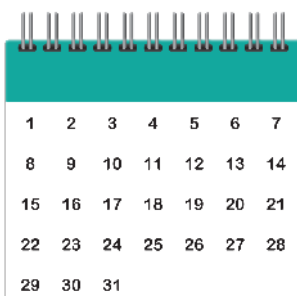
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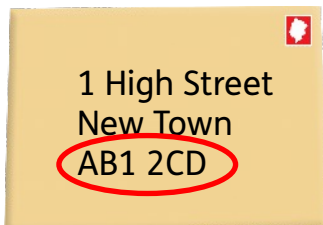
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