

# Scottish Autism Conference

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**NIN**

National Involvement Network

# National Involvement Network

- Established 2007
- Meets 5-6 times per year
- Discuss issues about involvement
- Over 100 members
- 40 organisations



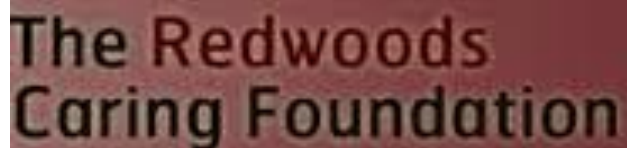
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**Making sure that people with  
additional support needs have better  
lives**

# Organisations in NIN



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# The first Charter



# CHARTER FOR INVOLVEMENT





- There are 12 Statements in the Charter
- Choice and control
- Listened to and respected







The Charter for Involvement shows how people who get support want to be involved:

- In the support we get
- In the organisations that provide our services
- In our wider communities



# Why is the Tiger on the front ?



- The Tiger makes us feel bold and strong
- People take notice of the Tiger, they want to know what it is all about
- Lots of people now recognise the Tiger as being about the Charter.
- **YOU DON'T MESS WITH A TIGER!**

# Charter for Involvement



Now we will tell you what the 12 Statements are

“ We must be at the **heart** of any plans about **our** lives ”



“ We have the **right**  
to live our lives  
**independently** ”



“

We must be **involved** in our **communities**

”



“ We must be able to **speak** about how our **support** is working for us and what would be better ”



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We want to be  
**involved in choosing**  
the people who  
support us

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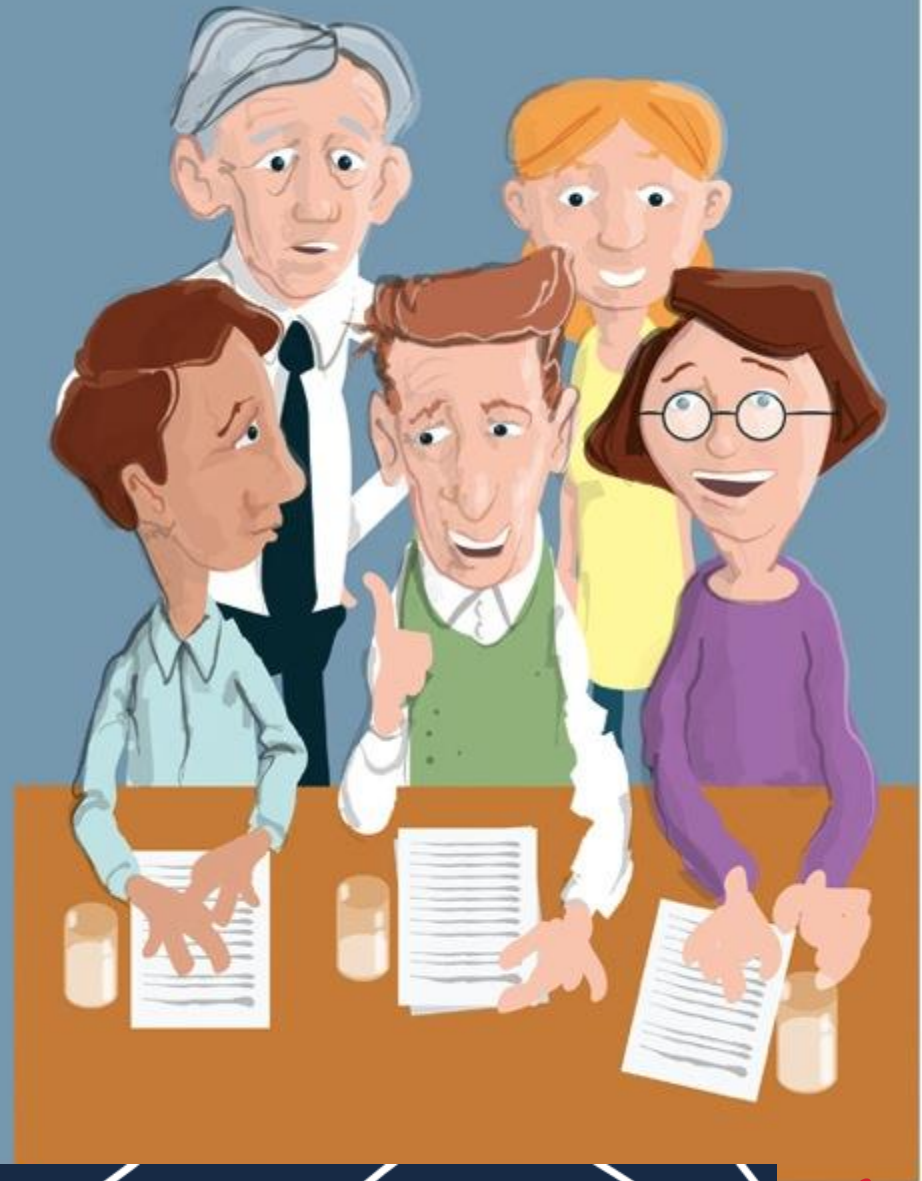
“ We want to give **information** and **training** to staff at all levels ”



“ We want to be **involved** in writing **policies** that affect us and making them easier to understand ”



“ We want to be **involved** in **decisions** made by the organisations that plan and run our support ”



“ We want to be **involved in events** run by the organisations that plan and run our support ”



“ We want to be **involved** with **‘Speaking-up’** groups ”



“ We want to **take part**  
in national and local  
**campaigns** ”



“ We have the **right**  
to make formal  
**complaints**  
if we need to



# Moving On

**71 organisations signed up**

**Renfrewshire the first H&SCP to sign up**





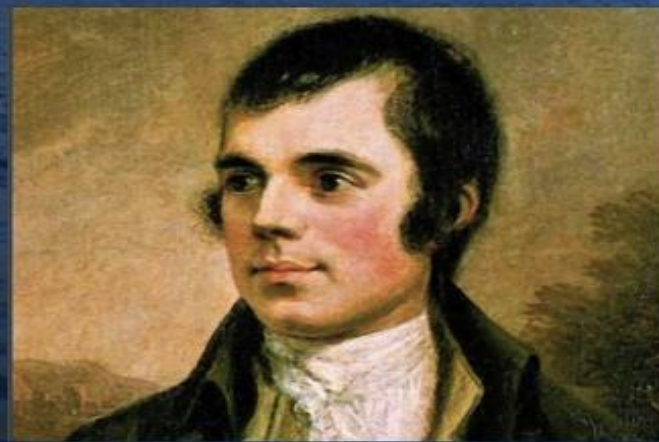
# PUTTING THE CHARTER INTO PRACTICE

Feedback from organisations that have signed up to the Charter for Involvement

2016



# AYRSHIRE INVOLVMENT NETWORK





# 10 years of leading change

**NIN members have been involved in:**

- Choosing staff
- Training staff
- Producing policies
- Meeting with Boards of Management
- Speaking up about whether services work well or not



# 10 years of leading change

**NIN members have been involved in:**

- Speaking at Conferences
- Leading workshops
- Delivering training to other people who get support
- National Consultations and Campaigns and a lot more things!





# The Way Forward

**In the future we would like to see:**

- More organisations in Scotland signing up to the Charter
- Organisations making sure that all their staff know about the Charter and support it.



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- We would like to see more Councils and NHS Boards signing up to the Charter and promoting it.
- Organisations working with the NIN to see how well they are doing at improving involvement.
- New NIN members coming from different parts of Scotland.
- More local NIN groups.

We think the Charter can make a big difference to people's lives.

In fact we know that it does.



<https://arcscotland.org.uk/involvement/charter-for-involvement/>