

**Equalities Scrutiny Inquiry Panel
– Joining the Dots Team
11 March 2018**

Representatives from the Joining the Dots Team have been invited to attend the panel.

Joining the Dots are a large group of parent-carers who support children/young people with additional learning needs (ALN).

The issues you have highlighted for consultation sessions include:

1. Issues around accessibility of Council Services including Digital Inclusion
2. Have you experienced any unfair barriers to accessing a service with the Council? Please give examples
3. Do you believe Swansea Council is committed to ensuring staff and service users are treated with equal dignity and respect?
4. To what extent do you believe the Council takes equality and diversity issues seriously?
5. Do you believe there is real commitment to continuing to improve performance on equality and diversity at Swansea Council?
6. Do you have any suggestions about anything that you believe would lead to a more inclusive environment?
7. What steps do you think the organisation could take to promote equality of opportunity and increasingly reflect society's diversity?
8. Have you ever engaged with the Council's 'democratic structures' e.g. attended a council meeting, asked a question to full council, met with your local councillor? Did you have any issues? Did you find it useful?
9. Have you ever considered standing for the Council? Please explain why/ why not.