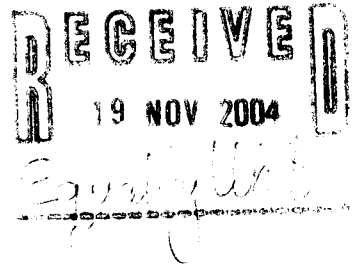


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Dear Sir,

Single Equality Bill
Response from Stranmillis 50+ group.

We, as a group of older people, (whose involvement in volunteering has been very rewarding both to the recipients and the volunteers), view with concern the adverse effect the inclusion of volunteers within the Single Equality Bill will have on the ethos of volunteering. Introducing unnecessary layers of legislation will be a real 'turn off' for the volunteers resulting in the already lonely & isolated recipients being further disadvantaged. Anyone who has any practical knowledge of voluntarily giving of their time, expertise etc to advantage others, will instantly see how badly the inclusion of the volunteers in the Bill will affect volunteering.

Please do not include volunteers in the
Single Equality Bill
The community needs committed volunteers.

Yours sincerely
J. D. Campbell.