

Steven McCourt Head of Community Safety Division Department of Justice

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Dear Consultee,

## **DOMESTIC HOMICIDE REVIEWS**

This letter is to advise that a public consultation has been launched seeking views on a proposed model for the introduction of Domestic Homicide Reviews in Northern Ireland. This is intended to seek opportunities for learning from the tragic circumstances where an adult (aged 16+) has been killed as a result of domestic violence and abuse.

The consultation document and response questionnaire are available at: <a href="https://www.justice-ni.gov.uk/consultations/domestic-homicide-reviews">https://www.justice-ni.gov.uk/consultations/domestic-homicide-reviews</a>

Responses should be sent to:

E-mail: DOJCommunity.SafetyUnitProjMailbox@justice-ni.x.gsi.gov.uk

Written: Community Safety Division, Room A4.03, Castle Buildings, Stormont

(hard copy) Estate, Belfast, BT4 3SG

We are keen to hear your views and receive information which will help us in shaping and finalising the model for Domestic Homicide Reviews in Northern Ireland. We recognise that you may require assistance in responding to the consultation and are happy to provide advice by phone or email, on request. We would also like to invite representative organisations to hold a focus group session with their client group(s), which we would be happy to attend if that is deemed beneficial. If you would be interested in running a focus group as part of the consultation, I would be grateful if you could get in touch with us to discuss how we might help you to facilitate it. Please contact Joanne McPadden, (028 90 523772 or joanne.mcpadden@justice-ni.x.gsi.gov.uk) if you have any queries or wish to request attendance at a focus group.

Consultation responses must be received no later than Friday 28 September 2018.

At the end of the consultation period all the responses will be collated and a response report will be published on our website.

Yours faithfully

STEVEN MCCOURT

Head of Community Safety Division