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### **DOMESTIC ABUSE CONSULTATION EVENT – 10 May 2018**

As someone who has specialist expertise and knowledge on domestic abuse I would like to make you aware of a Government Domestic Abuse Consultation Event for Wales which will be held on Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup> May 2018 in Cardiff at Cardiff City Hall.

This Government is transforming its approach to domestic abuse to ensure that victims have the confidence to come forward and report their experiences, safe in the knowledge that the state and the justice system will do everything it can to support them and their children, and pursue their abuser. We have committed to introducing a draft Domestic Abuse Bill this session, which will include the introduction of a new statutory definition of domestic abuse, an independent domestic abuse commissioner and a new domestic abuse protection order. We also recognise that it will take more than legislation to help victims and survivors rebuild their lives and to combat domestic abuse. That is why we are also developing a cross-Government package of action to raise awareness, support victims, and ensure perpetrators are stopped.

The purpose of this event is to offer professionals, practitioners and victims and survivors the opportunity to provide their expert suggestions in developing the programme of work. We want your input on what changes will make genuine tangible improvements in further protecting and supporting victims and bringing perpetrators to justice.

The event will also provide discussion opportunities and forums to allow comments and feedback on Government proposals.

You will find details of how to register and the location of the venue below.

**The Event**

The event will take place from 10.00am to 3.00pm on 10<sup>th</sup> May at Cardiff City Hall. Places are limited to 120 attendees and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. You will be notified by email to confirm whether you have received a place at the event.

To register your interest, please reply to the following email address:

[domesticabuseconsultation2018@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:domesticabuseconsultation2018@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk)

A sandwich lunch and tea and coffee breaks will be provided so please let us know if you have any dietary requirements. Unfortunately we cannot provide travel costs for participants.

**Venue location:**

Cardiff City Hall is located in Cardiff's Civic Centre and is accessible on foot, by road or via Cardiff Central and Cardiff Queen Street rail stations. Its address is:

City Hall, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF10 3ND

A map can be found in this [link](#)

Parking- Visitors are advised to use the paid on street parking spaces around City Hall. More parking information can be found here:

<https://www.cardiffcityhall.com/parking/>

Visitors with special access requirements should contact City Hall in advance on 029 2087 1736.

Please note that this event is part of a series of regional consultation events across England and Wales. If you are aware of any relevant stakeholders who you think would like to attend our other events, please contact us directly on the below email address with their name and contact details:

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