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Submitted to **Rough Sleeping: Homelessness Strategy Consultation**

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Rough Sleeping: Homelessness Prevention Strategy Consultation

1 What is your name?

Name:

[REDACTED]

2 What is your email address?

Email:

3 What best describes your interest in this consultation?

Other

Please state:

Expert by Experience working in homeless services

4 Do you agree the our overall approach of the strategy?

Yes

If you selected no or not sure to this question please tell us why?:

It is vital clients are given individual support from all the agencies working together, we need to do ongoing assessments of their changing needs both, physical, mental & circumstantial. I have worked with many EU citizens who have Recourse to public funds, this has been often due to lack of staff- based knowledge/training. Leaving EU Clients overlooked & left to rough sleep unnecessarily. I have worked with agencies such as ASIRT who have been instrumental in getting our clients EU settled status & thus opening services up to them. Also getting them on the correct benefits so they can access hostels & not be sleeping out for several years at a time & becoming unwell. This is hopefully being addressed & we have been successfully working with SIFA , ASIRT & Salvation Army to facilitate changes.

5 Do you agree with our universal level approach and actions for preventing rough sleeping?

Yes

If you selected no or not sure to this question please tell us why? :

6 Do you agree with our targeted actions and approach to preventing rough sleeping?

Yes

If you selected no or not sure to this question, please tell us why?:

We need more female beds as there seems to be less

7 Do you agree with our rough sleeping crisis response approach and actions?

Yes

If you selected no or not sure, please tell us why?:

8 Do you agree with the approach to rough sleeping recovery and additional actions?

Yes

If you selected no or not sure, please tell us why?:

We need to work very closely together & know what Recovery options are available across the board, as CGL (substance misuse services) works to promote recovery & as part of the homeless team we are the first rung of the ladder to facilitate this.

9 Do you agree with the approach and priority actions for helping people to move-on from rough sleeping?

Yes

If you selected no or not sure, please tell us why?:

I am concerned the move on options can be limited & some of the shared houses being unregulated are not always the most appropriate of venues to move vulnerable people too.

10 Any further comments?

Please use box below if you would like to make any further comments:

If we can have more information sharing about what is available to clients & continue to build upon Multi agency working with social care /adult safeguarding, primary care , Mental health & criminal justice.

We all work well together as it is & strive for excellence, it just needs to be continually built upon & reviewed.

Many thanks

11 About You: Please state your age group.

Age group:

12 About you: What is your gender?

Gender:

13 About You: What best describes your ethnicity?

Ethnicity:

14 About you: What is your sexual orientation?

Sexual Orientation:

15 About you: What best describes your religion or belief?

Religious Belief: