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

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1 What is your name?

Name:

[REDACTED]

2 What is your email address?

Email:

3 What best describes your interest in this consultation?

Someone with experience of homelessness/rough sleeping

Please state:

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?:

Generally, I agree, because I experienced rough sleeping a few times, but because of support from SIFA Fireside during the 8 weeks, I was able to build my life again. I really wanted to change the circumstances that I was in. Honestly, to compare with my country, help is much better. In terms of prevention, a minimum wage allows people to live on a good level, pay the bills etc. Even if I will find a simple job, for example as a cleaner I will be able to pay my bills. Also after a few months of working, you can be supported by job center and you can receive Universal Credit. I would I ke to add that because of SIFA I wasn't hungry even ones, I also took shower there and changed my clothes. Life wasn't so hard even on the street. However, I didn't want to be homeless. I wanted to live a normal life

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

Not Sure

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

I don't have access to the new services, I only know SIFA from 5 years.

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

Not Sure

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

I didn't hear about the actions that they made but I think that generally, the government is too tolerant of people who use drugs in city centers. It's very easy to access to buy the drugs. Then it is the easy way to become homeless.

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?:

I agree. If you want to have access to education or to find a job it's much easier than in other countries. Probably Covid-19 changed a lot, but before I didn't have any problems. Right now I am planning to become an Uber Delivery Person and deliver food by b ke.

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?:

The only one thing that is missing in Birmingham it's constantly open shelter, which will be able for people, who don't have any place to go when other agencies are closed. I am aware that in London exist few places I ke them.

10 Any further comments?

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

11 About You: Please state your age group.

Age group:

35 to 59

12 About you: What is your gender?

Gender:

Male

13 About You: What best describes your ethnicity?

Ethnicity:

White: Other

14 About you: What is your sexual orientation?

Sexual Orientation:

Heterosexual

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

Religious Belief:

No religion