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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:

[REDACTED]

3 What best describes your interest in this consultation?

Working in the homelessness sector

Please state:

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

Not Sure

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

Although mentioned, information on plans for befriending/peer support are only mentioned in the 'recovery' phase of the Rough Sleeping Addendum Consultation Document - this is essential at all stages of homelessness prevention. Loneliness and social isolation can actually be a cause of rough-sleeping as people will often abandon properties for loneliness or want of being closer to friends and family. The need for 'local connection' often sees clients being placed in areas where they cannot access their family or support networks. It would be good to see mention of befriending/peer support more in the 'prevention/relief' phase

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?:

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?:

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

Not Sure

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

Several clients report that the quality of supported exempt accommodation varies widely and shared accommodation often feels unsafe - before maximising the use of supported exempt accommodation the consultation should consider what regulatory/auditing practices it can put in place for supported exempt providers and how this can be monitored independently.

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:

25 to 34

12 About you: What is your gender?

Gender:

Female

13 About You: What best describes your ethnicity?

Ethnicity:

White: Irish

14 About you: What is your sexual orientation?

Sexual Orientation:

Heterosexual

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

Religious Belief:

Other