

CONSULTATION SCHEDULE – 24 OCTOBER 2017

1	RECEIVED FROM	TITLE	SUBMISSION BY
	Department for Communities	Fundamental Review of Social Housing Allocations and Draft EQIA	28 September 2017 – 21 December 2017
	<p>The Department for Communities has published a consultation paper entitled “A Fundamental Review of Social Housing Allocations”. The document makes proposals for change to ensure the Housing Selection Scheme meets housing need efficiently and effectively while remaining fit for purpose for the future.</p> <p>The Department has also published a draft Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA) of the proposals.</p> <p>The consultation document and draft EQIA are available at www.communities-ni.gov.uk/allocations-review.</p> <p>Press Release Link to the press release.</p> <p>The consultation period will run from 28 September – 21 December 2017.</p>		
2	RECEIVED FROM	TITLE	SUBMISSION BY
	HSENI	Consultative Document: Proposals for the Ionising Radiations Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017	5 November 2017 at 12 noon
	<p>The Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland has prepared a Consultative Document containing proposals for the Ionising Radiations Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017. The CD has been published on its website www.hseni.gov.uk where it can be read, copied or printed. It is available under the “Quick Links” section of the Homepage under “Consultations” and also in the “Our documents” section or downloaded here.</p>		

The proposed Regulations relate to implementation of Directive 2013/59/EURATOM laying down basic safety standards for protection against the dangers arising from exposure to ionising radiation. In order to transpose the requirements of the Directive, which relate to occupational health and safety, the Executive is proposing to revoke and replace the Ionising Radiations Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000 (IRR 2000).

The aim of the directive is to update and simplify existing arrangements for radiological protection by bringing five directives and an EU commission recommendation into one directive.

The Executive has a statutory duty, under the Health and Safety at Work (Northern Ireland) Order 1978, to consult before submitting proposals, to make the Regulations, to the Department for the Economy. Accordingly, the Executive seeks your views on the proposals contained in the consultative document.

Comments are invited on any matters in the consultative document but particularly, on the assumptions relating to costs and the conclusion that there will be no adverse effect on any section 75 group.

Comments, in whatever format you choose to use, should be sent to:

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Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland
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so as to arrive not later than **noon on 05 October 2017**.

3	RECEIVED FROM	TITLE	SUBMISSION BY
	Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs	Consultation on Revised Requirements for Radiological Protection: Regulation of Public Exposures and the Justification of Practices	15 November 2017
	<p>The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs has published a consultation on Revised Requirements for Radiological Protection: Regulation of Public Exposures and the Justification of Practices as part of a UK-wide consultation. The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs invites Council to participate and seek views on proposals to implement certain requirements of the Directive.</p> <p>The 2013 Euratom Basic Safety Standards Directive (2013/59/EURATOM) lays down safety standards for protecting against the dangers arising from exposure to ionising radiation. We are seeking views on the proposals for implementing the requirements of the Directive in relation to planned and existing public exposure situations and the justification of practices involving ionising radiation.</p> <p>This consultation paper is presented by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, the Scottish Government, the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs in Northern Ireland, and the Welsh Government. It can be found on the website: DAERA-NI.GOV.UK.</p> <p>The consultation will start on 5 October 2017. Responses should be received <u>no later than 15 November 2017.</u></p> <p>All responses should be sent by email to BSSDPublicExposures@beis.gov.uk, or by post to :- Nuclear Decommissioning and Radioactive Waste Policy Team Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Level 3 Victoria 1 1 Victoria Street London SW1H 0ET</p> <p>Respondents in Northern Ireland should also send their response by email to wslpr@daera-ni.gov.uk , or by post to:</p>		

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Please ensure that any email responses are clearly marked with '**Revised Requirements for Radiological Protection: Regulation of Public Exposures and the Justification of Practices**'.

In your response, please explain who you are and, where relevant, whom you represent and give your name and appropriate contact details.

4	RECEIVED FROM	TITLE	SUBMISSION BY
	Department of Finance & Personnel	DTS Strategy – Equality Screening	8 December 2017

The Digital Transformation Service within the Department of Finance & Personnel (DFP) has carried out an equality screening exercise on the draft NICS Digital Transformation Strategy 2017-2021. The Strategy aims to provide better public services in Northern Ireland by ensuring that Government transactional services are available online.

A copy of the screening documentation is attached for your information and perusal. <https://www.finance-ni.gov.uk/publications/policy-screening-government-digital-transformation-strategy-2017-2021>

Should you wish to make any comments, it would be appreciated if these could be emailed to DTSSstrategy@finance-ni.gov.uk no later than **Friday 8 December 2017**.

Current Open Consultations

- Western Health and Social Care Trust – Savings Plan Consultation – **5 October 2017**
- DEFRA – Banning the Manufacture and Sale of Cosmetics containing Microbeads – **11 October 2017**
- Department for Communities – Abolition of Class 2 National Insurance Contributions – Equality Impact Assessment – **3 November 2017**

Note: Copies of the consultations can be obtained from Democratic Services