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## CONSULTATION SCHEDULE – 26<sup>th</sup> January 2016

1.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	<b>BAMFORD EVALUATION – YOUR EXPERIENCE MATTERS...QUESTIONNAIRE FOR CARERS OF PEOPLE WITH A LEARNING DISABILITY</b>	<b>Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety</b>	<b>5 February 2016</b>
	<p>The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety (DHSSPS) are carrying out an evaluation of the Bamford Action Plan 2012-2015. This evaluation will consider what action Government has taken to implement the Bamford vision, and more importantly, what impact these actions have made on the lives of people with mental health problems or a learning disability. As part of this exercise we are keen to hear further from carers and parents of people with a learning disability and to gather their views and experiences of services. A questionnaire has been developed for this purpose and can be accessed at the link below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="https://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/consultations/bamford-evaluation-your-experience-matters">https://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/consultations/bamford-evaluation-your-experience-matters</a></li> </ul>		
2.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	<b>CONSULTATION ON CHANGES TO ONS PRODUCTS 2015</b>	<b>Office for National Statistics</b>	<b>8 February 2016</b>
	<p>We (the Office for National Statistics) are consulting on proposed changes to how we collect and publish our statistics, and we would welcome your views.</p> <p>The changes that we propose will enable us to reduce the costs of our current operations and reinvest these savings to transform our digital and data capability. Making the changes will also help us to continue to produce the high quality statistics needed for informed decision making.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/about-ons/get-involved/consultations-and-user-surveys/consultations/consultation-on-changes-to-ons-products-2015/index.html">http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/about-ons/get-involved/consultations-and-user-surveys/consultations/consultation-on-changes-to-ons-products-2015/index.html</a></li> </ul>		

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3.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	<b>HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE REFORM AND TRANSFORMATION - GETTING THE STRUCTURES RIGHT</b>	<b>Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety</b>	<b>12 February 2016</b>
	<p>Following the Minister's announcement on 04 November 2015, of his intention to reform the administrative structures for Health and Social Care in Northern Ireland, the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety (DHSSPS) is seeking the views of the public and stakeholders on the preferred option for reform.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="https://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/consultations/health-and-social-care-reform-and-transformation-getting-structures-right">https://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/consultations/health-and-social-care-reform-and-transformation-getting-structures-right</a></li> </ul>		
4.	TITLE	RECEIVED FROM	SUBMISSION BY
	<b>The abolition of Class 2 national Insurance: Introducing a benefit test into Class 4 National insurance for the self-employed</b>	<b>Department for Social Development (DSD)</b>	<b>24 February 2016</b>
	<p>While National Insurance contributions are an excepted matter under Schedule 2 to the Northern Ireland Act 1998 and the responsibility of HMRC, the proposals will require consequential changes to Northern Ireland Social Security legislation. The Department for Social Development has, therefore, made the consultation document available in Northern Ireland to ensure that people here have the opportunity to express their views. The deadline for response is Wednesday 24 February 2016. The self-employed currently pay two rates of National Insurance contributions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Class 2 – Prior to 2015/16, Class 2 National Insurance contributions were paid at a flat weekly rate for each week of self-employment (£2.75 in 2014/15). From 2015/16, to simplify the collection process, they were brought within the self assessment framework, with the amount due being calculated on an annual basis. Class 2 National Insurance contributions provide the self-employed with access to the State Pension, contribution-based Employment and Support Allowance, Maternity Allowance and Bereavement Benefits.</li> <li>• Class 4 – These are a percentage charge on profit. The contributor pays 9 per cent on annual profits between the lower profits limit (£8,060 in 2015/16) and the upper profits limit (£42,385 in 2015/16), and 2 per cent on any profit over that amount. Class 4 National Insurance contributions have no link to benefit entitlement.</li> </ul> <p>The proposed changes mean that, in the future, instead of paying two classes of National Insurance contribution, the self-employed will pay just one, Class 4.</p> <p>The consultation explores how a reformed system of National Insurance contributions for the self-employed could confer benefit entitlement and the policy choices that will be considered in designing the new contributory benefit tests.</p>		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="https://www.dsdni.gov.uk/consultations/abolition-class-2-national-insurance-introducing-benefit-test-class-4-national">https://www.dsdni.gov.uk/consultations/abolition-class-2-national-insurance-introducing-benefit-test-class-4-national</a></li> </ul>		
<b>5.</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>RECEIVED FROM</b>	<b>SUBMISSION BY</b>
	<b>MARINE CONSERVATION ZONES CONSULTATION</b>	<b>Department of the Environment</b>	<b>11 March 2016</b>
	<p>The designation of Marine Conservation Zones through the Marine Act (Northern Ireland) 2013 will add to our Marine Protected Area (MPA) network in the Northern Ireland Inshore Region.</p> <p>The MCZs are proposed for Carlingford Lough, Outer Belfast Lough, Rathlin and Waterfoot. MCZs are areas of sea where we protect rare or important national features from damaging activity.</p> <p>The proposed features are Deep-sea bed, Subtidal (sublittoral) seagrass beds, Subtidal (sublittoral) sand, Subtidal (sublittoral) mud with Sea-pen and white sea slug communities, Ocean quahog, Black guillemot and Geological/Geomorphological features such as Sea arches and Paleolagoons.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="https://www.doeni.gov.uk/consultations/marine-conservation-zones-consultation">https://www.doeni.gov.uk/consultations/marine-conservation-zones-consultation</a></li> </ul>		

## **Reminder - current Consultation Documents**

- Consultation on Our Proposals for the Implementation of Urology Services in Western and Northern Trusts**  
 The Northern and Western Health and Social Care Trusts  
*Submission by 29 January 2016*  
<http://www.northerntrust.hscni.net> or <http://www.westerntrust.hscni.net>
- Discussion Paper – Proposals For Taking Forward NI Climate Change Legislation**  
 The Department of the Environment (DoE)  
*Submission by 29 January 2016*  
<https://www.doeni.gov.uk/consultations/proposals-taking-forward-ni-climate-change-legislation>
- Review of the Role and Regulation of the Private Rented Sector**  
 Department for Social Development (DSD)

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*Submission by 5 February 2016*

<https://www.dsdni.gov.uk/consultations/review-role-and-regulation-private-rented-sector>

- **Use of Seat Belts By Child Passengers Aged 3-13 Years on Buses and Coaches**

The Department of the Environment (DoE)

*Submission by 5 February 2016*

<https://www.doeni.gov.uk/consultations/use-seat-belts-by-child-passengers-aged-3-13-years-buses-and-coaches>

- **Draft Equality Scheme**

The Department of Finance and Personnel (DFP)

*Submission by 8 February 2016*

<https://www.dfpni.gov.uk/consultations/consultation-draft-equality-scheme>

- **Report on the Access to Justice Review Part II**

Department of Justice (DoJ)

*Submission by 9 February 2016*

<https://www.dojni.gov.uk/consultations/report-access-justice-review>

- **Public Consultation on the Penalty Fares (Increase) Order (NI) 2016**

Department for Social Development (DSD)

*Submission by 12 February 2016*

<https://www.drdni.gov.uk/consultations/penalty-fares-increase-order-northern-ireland-2016>

- **Interim Structure For EA School Development Service**

Education Authority (EA)

*Submission by 12 February 2016*

<http://www.eani.org.uk/about-us/consultations/school-development-service-interim-structure/>

- **Draft Disability Action Plan**

The Ulster Scots Agency

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*Submission by 21 February 2016*

<http://www.ulsterscotsagency.com/about-us/corporate-publications/>

- **Sub-Regional Stadia Programme For Soccer**

The Department of Culture Arts and Leisure (DCAL)

*Submission by 22 February 2016*

<https://www.dcalni.gov.uk/consultations/dcal-sub-regional-stadia-programme-soccer>

- **New Regulations Concerning The Conduct of Passengers and Drivers On Public Service Vehicles**

The Department of the Environment (DoE)

*Submission by 26 February 2016*

<https://www.doeni.gov.uk/consultations/proposals-amend-public-service-vehicles-regulation-northern-ireland-1985>