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| Title of Report: Department of Justice Consultation on Enhancing Legal Protections for Victims of Domestic Abuse - Draft Response | Officer Presenting: Director of Health and Community Author: Head of Community Development and Leisure |
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1 Purpose of Report/Recommendations

- 1.1 To seek Members' approval of a draft response to the Department of Justice Consultation on Enhancing Legal Protections for Victims of Domestic Abuse.

2 Background

- 2.1 Council was notified on 7th December 2020 that the Department of Justice would welcome Council's views/comments on the Consultation on Enhancing Legal Protections for Victims of Domestic Abuse by 12th February 2021. The draft response to the consultation is attached at Appendix 1.

3 Key Issues

- 3.1 The deadline for receipt of responses to the consultation by the Department of Justice is 12th February 2021.

4 Financial, Equality, Legal, HR, Improvement, Rural Needs and other Implications

- 4.1 There are no financial or other implications.

5 Recommendations

- 5.1 That Members approve the draft response to the consultation as outlined in Appendix 1.

Background Papers

Appendix 1: Draft consultation response

Appendix 2: DoJ consultee correspondence

<https://consultations.nidirect.gov.uk/doj-corporate-secretariat/enhancing-legal-protections>

