HousingExecutive

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A copy of the NIHE policy or draft policy/strategy in respect of Violence Against Women and Girls

1. Under FOI Legislation I respectfully request a copy of the NIHE policy or draft policy/strategy in respect of Violence Against Women and Girls, if possible indicating the dates of draft and/or adoption.

The Housing Executive does not have a specific policy or strategy relating to Violence Against Women and Girls so we are unable to provide this information. I have provided some additional context for this request below.

In March 2021, the Executive announced the development of a Strategy to tackle violence against Women and Girls as a priority. In December 2021 a new team was created within The Executive Office leading the development of the cross-departmental strategy.

The Executive Office, together with Department of Health and Department of Justice, published a joint call for views in January 2022 and a call for views summary report produced in August 2022.

The Executive Office have recently initiated a co-design process to develop the Ending Violence Against Women and Girls NI strategy. The Housing Executive have been asked to input into the process.