**Public Consultation**

Chronic Homelessness Action Plan

Please use this consultation template for submitting your responses and comments.

Alternatively, the online consultation can be downloaded at <https://www.nihe.gov.uk/Working-With-Us/Partners/Consultations> where you can also view the full consultation report and the associated screening documents.

If you are completing an electronic version of this form, it should be emailed to: [homelessness.strategy@nihe.gov.uk](mailto:homelessness.strategy@nihe.gov.uk).

Alternatively, you can return hard copies of the completed form to:

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The Housing Executive welcomes any comments you wish to make on all of the proposals or just on those issues that are of particular interest to you in the consultation.

All responses should be received by 5pm on Friday 2nd August 2019 to ensure they can be fully considered.

**Freedom of Information Act 2000**

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| **Criteria for Chronic Homelessness**  The Housing Executive has provided criteria to identify the number of individuals/households experiencing chronic homelessness. Do you agree with these criteria? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below. In particular we are keen for the consultation to explore whether there are too many or too few criteria and whether the criteria need to be further defined and we would welcome any comments relevant to these points  Click here to enter text. |

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| **Objective One**  Do you agree with objective one which is to ‘Design specific criteria for measuring chronic homelessness and implement data collection arrangements’? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Do you agree with the actions in objective one? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Are there any further actions you feel should be considered as part of this objective? If so, please provide details below:  Click here to enter text. |

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| **Objective Two**  Do you agree with objective two which is to ‘Introduce mechanisms to monitor and report on chronic homelessness trends’? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Do you agree with the actions in objective two? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Are there any further actions you feel should be considered as part of this objective? If so, please provide details below:  Click here to enter text. |

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| **Objective Three**  Do you agree with objective three which is to ‘Utilise chronic homeless data and trend information to identify existing and emerging needs to address chronic homelessness in the context of legislation, policy and service provision’? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Do you agree with the actions in objective three? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Are there any further actions you feel should be considered as part of this objective? If so, please provide details below:  Click here to enter text. |

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| **Objective Four**  Do you agree with objective four which is to ‘Develop mechanisms across agencies for early identification of those who are at risk of homelessness or chronic homelessness’? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Do you agree with the actions in objective four? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Are there any further actions you feel should be considered as part of this objective? If so, please provide details below:  Click here to enter text. |

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| **Objective Five**  Do you agree with objective five which is to ‘Implement a range of support services to help people sustain their accommodation including floating support and tenancy sustainment’? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Do you agree with the actions in objective five? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Are there any further actions you feel should be considered as part of this objective? If so, please provide details below:  Click here to enter text. |

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| **Objective Six**  Do you agree with objective six which is to ‘Implement arrangements to ensure services engage with people at risk of chronic homelessness as quickly as possible’? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Do you agree with the actions in objective six? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Are there any further actions you feel should be considered as part of this objective? If so, please provide details below:  Click here to enter text. |

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| **Objective Seven**  Do you agree with objective seven which is to ‘Make the stay in temporary accommodation as short as possible’? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Do you agree with the actions in objective seven? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Are there any further actions you feel should be considered as part of this objective? If so, please provide details below:  Click here to enter text. |

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| **Objective Eight**  Do you agree with objective eight which is to ‘Consider a range of housing options for the chronic homeless including Housing First and ensure they are supported into permanent accommodation as soon as possible’? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Do you agree with the actions in objective eight? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Are there any further actions you feel should be considered as part of this objective? If so, please provide details below:  Click here to enter text. |

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| **Objective Nine**  Do you agree with objective one which is to ‘Promote interagency issues and actions required to address chronic homelessness’? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Do you agree with the actions in objective nine? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Are there any further actions you feel should be considered as part of this objective? If so, please provide details below:  Click here to enter text. |
| **Objective Ten**  Do you agree with objective one which is to ‘Ensure mechanisms in place to implement and oversee the implementation of the Chronic Homelessness Action Plan’? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Do you agree with the actions in objective ten? Please choose yes or no below.  Choose an item.  Please provide any supporting comments below:  Click here to enter text.  Are there any further actions you feel should be considered as part of this objective? If so, please provide details below:  Click here to enter text. |

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| Please provide any further comments you may have on the Chronic Homelessness Action Plan below:  Click here to enter text. |