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## N o r t h e r n I r e l a n d W e e k C o m m e n c i n g :

**North-West Community Network is committed to facilitating and promoting engagement with the Community & Voluntary sector in the North-West on the policy issues that affect it.**

If you feel the sector should respond collectively to any of these consultations, please communicate this to us - not all consultation/policy issues can be responded to, however, given the sheer volume of documents that are issued.

Departmental consultations should, under good practice guidelines, afford twelve weeks for response - if you have any concerns over deadlines please do not hesitate to raise these with the named contact.

Consultation Title	Organisation	Closing Date	Contact Name	Contact Number	Email / Website
<b>Equality Scheme and Audit of Inequalities for Commissioner for Older People for Northern Ireland</b>	Commissioner for Older People for Northern Ireland (COPNI)	28/02/13	John McManus	028 9089 0887	<a href="mailto:info@copni.org">info@copni.org</a> <a href="http://www.copni.org/">http://www.copni.org/</a>
<b>EQIA of the Music Strategy</b>	Arts Council of Northern Ireland	01/03/13	Jacqueline Witherow	028 9038 5219	<a href="mailto:jwitherow@artscouncil-ni.org">jwitherow@artscouncil-ni.org</a> <a href="http://www.artscouncil-ni.org/subpages/compliance.htm">http://www.artscouncil-ni.org/subpages/compliance.htm</a>
<b>Joint Consultation – Disability Action Plans and Equality Action Plans</b>	Various HSC Organisations	01/03/13	Equality Unit	028 9053 5531	<a href="mailto:Equality.Unit@hscni.net">Equality.Unit@hscni.net</a> <b>(See attached)</b>
<b>Childcare Strategy</b>	OFMdfM	05/03/13	Childcare Strategy Team	028 9052 2904	<a href="mailto:childcare.consultation@ofmdfmi.gov.uk">childcare.consultation@ofmdfmi.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.ofmdfmi.gov.uk/index/about-ofmdfm/ofmdfm-consultation-zone.htm">http://www.ofmdfmi.gov.uk/index/about-ofmdfm/ofmdfm-consultation-zone.htm</a>  <b>Local event: 28 February 2013</b> , The Playhouse Theatre, 7pm - 8.30pm  If you wish to participate, please indicate the event(s) you would like to attend using the email address <a href="mailto:childcare.consultation@ofmdfmi.gov.uk">childcare.consultation@ofmdfmi.gov.uk</a> or by telephone 028 9052 2904
<b>Consultation on the Potential Short Term Changes to GCE A Levels</b>	Department of Education	08/03/13	Assessment & Qualifications Team	028 9127 9543	<a href="mailto:agt@deni.gov.uk">agt@deni.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.deni.gov.uk/consultation-on-potential-short-term-changes-to-gce-a-levels">http://www.deni.gov.uk/consultation-on-potential-short-term-changes-to-gce-a-levels</a>
<b>Reform of Publicly Funded Legal Representation in The Civil and Family Courts</b>	Department of Justice	08/03/13	Public Legal Services Division	028 9016 9533	<a href="mailto:plsresponses@dojni.x.gsi.gov.uk">plsresponses@dojni.x.gsi.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.dojni.gov.uk/index/public-consultations/current-consultations.htm">http://www.dojni.gov.uk/index/public-consultations/current-consultations.htm</a>
<b>Reform of publicly funded legal representation in the Civil and Family Courts</b>	Department of Justice	08/03/13	Public Legal Services Division	028 9016 9533	<a href="mailto:plsresponses@dojni.x.gsi.gov.uk">plsresponses@dojni.x.gsi.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.dojni.gov.uk">www.dojni.gov.uk</a>
<b>Street trading and Pedlary</b>	Department for Social Development (Joint Consultation)	15/03/13	Sharon Matchett	02890 829521	<a href="mailto:social.policy@dsdni.gov.uk">social.policy@dsdni.gov.uk</a> <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/amendmentstostreettradingstreettradingandpedlaryconsultation2012">https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/amendmentstostreettradingstreettradingandpedlaryconsultation2012</a>
<b>Autism Strategy (2013 - 2020) and Action Plan (2013 - 2015)</b>	Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety	15/03/13	DHSSPS Autism Strategy Core Team	028 9052 2153	<a href="mailto:Autism.Strategy@dhsspsni.gov.uk">Autism.Strategy@dhsspsni.gov.uk</a>  <a href="#">Online Consultation Questionnaire</a> <a href="http://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/showconsultations?txtid=59561">http://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/showconsultations?txtid=59561</a>
<b>Forward Work Programme for Energy, Water and Transport 2013/14</b>	Consumer Council	15/03/13	Julie Coulter	028 9067 2488	<a href="mailto:jcoulter@consumercouncil.org.uk">jcoulter@consumercouncil.org.uk</a> <a href="http://www.consumercouncil.org.uk/publications">http://www.consumercouncil.org.uk/publications</a>
<b>Who Cares? The Future of Adult Care and</b>	Department of Health Social Services &	15/03/13	Reform of Adult Care and Support	028 9076 5630	<a href="mailto:reform.careandsupport@dhsspsni.gov.uk">reform.careandsupport@dhsspsni.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/showconsultations?txtid=58501">http://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/showconsultations?txtid=58501</a>

Support in NI	Public Safety		Team		
<b>Draft Pensions Bill</b>	Department for Social Development	22/03/13	Libby McIlwaine	028 9081 9112	<a href="mailto:libby.mcilwaine@dndni.gov.uk">libby.mcilwaine@dndni.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.dndni.gov.uk/index/consultations/draft-pensions-bill.htm">http://www.dndni.gov.uk/index/consultations/draft-pensions-bill.htm</a>
<b>Disability Action Plan</b>	NI Ambulance Services Health & Social Care Trust	28/03/13	Michelle Lemon	028 9040 0999	<a href="mailto:michelle.lemon@nias.hscni.net">michelle.lemon@nias.hscni.net</a> <a href="http://www.niamb.co.uk">www.niamb.co.uk</a>
<b>Draft Strategic Plan 2012 - 2020</b>	Department of Agriculture & Rural Development	29/03/13	Michael Donovan	028 90524175	<a href="mailto:mike.donovan@dardni.gov.uk">mike.donovan@dardni.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.dardni.gov.uk/index/consultations/active-consultations/consultation-dard-strategic-plan-2012-2020.htm">http://www.dardni.gov.uk/index/consultations/active-consultations/consultation-dard-strategic-plan-2012-2020.htm</a>
<b>DRAFT Revised N. Ireland Equality Scheme</b>	HM Revenue & Customs	31/03/13	Northern Ireland Equality Policy Advisor	0207 438 6530	<a href="mailto:hmrzd&amp;iteam.diversity&amp;inclusion@hmrc.gsi.gov.uk">hmrzd&amp;iteam.diversity&amp;inclusion@hmrc.gsi.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.hmrc.gov.uk">http://www.hmrc.gov.uk</a>
<b>Heating Policy Review</b>	Northern Ireland Housing Executive	01/04/13	Elizabeth Findlay		<a href="mailto:elizabeth.findlay@nihe.gov.uk">elizabeth.findlay@nihe.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.nihe.gov.uk/consultation">http://www.nihe.gov.uk/consultation</a>
<b>Black and Minority Ethnic Children &amp; Young People Draft Action Plan 2011-2014</b>	Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership	02/04/13	Andrew Hawthorne	028 9055 3979	<a href="mailto:Andrew.hawthorne@hscni.net">Andrew.hawthorne@hscni.net</a> <a href="http://www.cypsp.org/publications.htm#aps">http://www.cypsp.org/publications.htm#aps</a>
<b>Proposals to change the treatments that are available through General Dental Services</b>	Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety	03/04/13	General Dental and Ophthalmic Services Branch	028 9052 3275	<a href="mailto:gdps@dhsspsni.gov.uk">gdps@dhsspsni.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/current_consultations.htm">http://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/current_consultations.htm</a>
<b>Welfare Reform: Rate Rebate Replacement Arrangements</b>	Department of Finance & Personnel	10/04/13	Rating Policy Division	028 9127 7606	<a href="mailto:ratingpolicy.cfq@dfpni.gov.uk">ratingpolicy.cfq@dfpni.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.dfpni.gov.uk/index/about-dfp/consultation-zone.htm">http://www.dfpni.gov.uk/index/about-dfp/consultation-zone.htm</a>
<b>Proposed Consolidation and Updating of the Provision of Health Services to Persons Not Ordinarily Resident Regulations (NI) 2005</b>	Department of Health, Social Services & Public Safety	10/04/13	Primary Care Medical Services Branch	028 9052 2285	<a href="mailto:overseas.visitors.consultation@dhsspsni.gov.uk">overseas.visitors.consultation@dhsspsni.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/showconsultations?txtid=60998">http://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/showconsultations?txtid=60998</a>
<b>Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 and the Service Provisions Change (Protection of Employment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006</b>	Department of Education	11/04/13	Andrew Dawson	028 90 257555	<a href="mailto:employment.rights@delni.gov.uk">employment.rights@delni.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.delni.gov.uk/index/consultation-zone/tupe-consultation.htm">http://www.delni.gov.uk/index/consultation-zone/tupe-consultation.htm</a>
<b>Future Railway Investment</b>	Department for Regional Development	12/04/13	Alan Heron	028 9054 0468	<a href="mailto:alan.heron@drdni.gov.uk">alan.heron@drdni.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.drdni.gov.uk/index/publications/publications-details.htm?docid=8604">http://www.drdni.gov.uk/index/publications/publications-details.htm?docid=8604</a>
<b>Provision Of Discretionary Support 2013</b>	Department for Social Development	23/04/13	Social Fund Reform Project	028 9037 6095	<a href="mailto:SocialFundReform@dndni.gov.uk">SocialFundReform@dndni.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.dndni.gov.uk/index/consultations/provision-of-discretionary-support-2013.htm">http://www.dndni.gov.uk/index/consultations/provision-of-discretionary-support-2013.htm</a>
<b>Making the Food Hygiene Rating Scheme statutory in NI</b>	Food Standards Agency	26/04/13	Hayley Hamilton	028 90 417763	<a href="mailto:hayley.hamilton@foodstandards.gsi.gov.uk">hayley.hamilton@foodstandards.gsi.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.food.gov.uk/northern-ireland/">www.food.gov.uk/northern-ireland/</a>
<b>EQIA – 5 year strategic plan for the Arts in NI (2013-2018)</b>	Arts Council of Northern Ireland	29/04/13	Jacqueline Witherow	028 9038 5219	<a href="mailto:jwitherow@artscouncil-ni.org">jwitherow@artscouncil-ni.org</a> <a href="http://www.artscouncil-ni.org/subpages/compliance.htm">http://www.artscouncil-ni.org/subpages/compliance.htm</a>
<b>Public Benefit and Registration Guidance</b>	Charity Commission NI	06/05/13	N/a	028 3832 0220	<a href="mailto:consult@charitycommissionni.org.uk">consult@charitycommissionni.org.uk</a> <a href="http://www.charitycommissionni.org.uk">www.charitycommissionni.org.uk</a>  <b>Local Events:</b> <b>Derry / Londonderry:</b> 13 March, 18.30-20.30, Verbal Arts Centre, <b>Strabane:</b> 11 April, 18.30 – 20.30, Alley Arts Centre.  To register for an event, please use the booking form on our

					website <a href="http://www.charitycommissionni.org.uk">www.charitycommissionni.org.uk</a> Alternatively you can register by phone by calling us on 082 3832 0220 or via TextPhone 028 3834 7639.
<b>Inter-Departmental Review of Housing Adaptations Services</b>	Department of Health, Social Services & Public Safety	15/05/13	Maureen Mawhinney	02890 318 782	<a href="mailto:housing.adaptations.unit@nihe.gov.uk">housing.adaptations.unit@nihe.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.nihe.gov.uk/consultation">http://www.nihe.gov.uk/consultation</a>
<b>Safeguards to Protect the Individual Decisions on the Granting of Civil Legal Aid</b>	Department of Justice	22/05/13	DOJ Reform Programme	028 9052 2956	<a href="mailto:DOJ.ReformProgramme@dojni.x.gsi.gov.uk">DOJ.ReformProgramme@dojni.x.gsi.gov.uk</a> <a href="http://www.dojni.gov.uk/index/public-consultations.htm">www.dojni.gov.uk/index/public-consultations.htm</a>

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