

Consultation Questionnaire

The main purpose of this consultation is to consult users on the detailed proposals for the updated Northern Ireland Multiple Deprivation Measure (NIMDM 2017). This consultation will close at midnight on 15 January 2017.

Our preferred way for you to respond to this consultation is [online](#).

Please note, for your response to be included in our analysis, you must answer questions marked with a star (*) in [Section 9: About you](#) and [Section 10: Consent](#).

If you wish to respond by email or on paper, please download the Consultation Questionnaire (PDF version or MS Word version). When you have completed the questionnaire, please return it:

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To help us understand your views, it is important that you provide as much detail as you can in support of your response.

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Section 1: Income Deprivation Domain

The proposals for the Income Deprivation Domain are outlined in Section 9 of the [consultation document](#).

1.1 Are you content with the response to the three recommendations associated with the Income Deprivation Domain?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

It is proposed that the Income Deprivation Domain consists of one indicator, namely, the proportion of the population living in households whose equivalised income is below 60 per cent of the NI median.

1.2 Are you content with the proposed income deprivation indicator?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

Section 2: Employment Deprivation Domain

The proposals for the Employment Deprivation Domain are outlined in Section 10 of the [consultation document](#).

2.1 Are you content with the response to the two recommendations associated with the Employment Deprivation Domain?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

It is proposed that the Employment Deprivation Domain consists of one indicator, namely, the proportion of the working age population (aged 18-64) who are in receipt of at least one of the selected benefits¹, and, if available, extended with hidden unemployment.

2.2 Are you content with the proposed employment deprivation indicator?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

¹ Job Seeker's Allowance, Incapacity Benefit, Severe Disablement Allowance, Carer's Allowance, and Employment and Support Allowance

Section 3: Health Deprivation and Disability Domain

The proposals for the Health Deprivation and Disability Domain are outlined in Section 11 of the [consultation document](#).

3.1 Are you content with the response to the six recommendations associated with the Health Deprivation and Disability Domain?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

It is proposed that the Health Deprivation and Disability Domain consists of 11 indicators, including one combined mental health indicator.

3.2 Are you content with the proposed indicators for the Health Deprivation and Disability Domain?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

Section 4: Education, Skills and Training Deprivation Domain

The proposals for the Education, Skills and Training Deprivation Domain are outlined in Section 12 of the [consultation document](#).

4.1 Are you content with the response to the six recommendations associated with the Education, Skills and Training Deprivation Domain?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

It is proposed that the Education, Skills and Training Deprivation Domain consist of eight indicators grouped in three sub-domains: primary, post primary and working age adults.

4.2 Are you content with the proposed indicators for the Education, Skills and Training Deprivation Domain?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

Section 5: Access to Services Domain

The proposals for the Access to Services Domain are outlined in Section 13 of the [consultation document](#).

5.1 Are you content with the response to the four recommendations associated with the Access to Services Domain?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

It is proposed that the Access to Services Domain consists of three indicators:

- Service-weighted shortest travel time by private transport;
- Service-weighted shortest travel time by public transport; and
- Proportion of properties with broadband speed below 10Mbps.

5.2 Are you content with the proposed indicators for the Access to Services Domain?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

This domain was previously known as 'Proximity to Services'. It is proposed to rename this domain to 'Access to Services' with the proposed inclusion of public transport and broadband speed.

5.3 Are you content with the renaming to Access to Services Domain?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

Section 6: Living Environment Domain

The proposals for the Living Environment Domain are outlined in Section 14 of the [consultation document](#).

6.1 Are you content with the response to the seven recommendations associated with the Living Environment Domain?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

It is proposed that the Living Environment Domain consists of nine indicators, grouped into three sub domains: housing quality, housing access and outdoor physical environment.

6.2 Are you content with the proposed indicators for the Living Environment Domain?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

Section 7: Crime and Disorder Domain

The proposals for the Crime and Disorder Domain are outlined in Section 15 of the [consultation document](#).

7.1 Are you content with the response to the four recommendations associated with the Crime and Disorder Domain?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

It is proposed that the Crime and Disorder Domain will consist of six indicators, grouped into two sub domains, namely crime and disorder.

7.2 Are you content with the proposed indicators for the Crime and Disorder Domain?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

Section 8: General consultation questions

There were a further six recommendations from the NIMDM 2010 that were not specific to a particular domain. These recommendations are outlined in Section 16 of the [consultation document](#).

The weights used when combining the individual domains of deprivation into the overall Multiple Deprivation Measure were identical in the 2001, 2005 and 2010 Measures, which were Income and Employment (25 per cent each), Health and Education (15 per cent each), Proximity to Services (10 per cent), and Living Environment and Crime & Disorder (5 per cent each).

8.1 Are you content that the domain weights still reflect current priorities, in light of the proposed indicators?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

8.2 Are you content with the responses to the non domain-specific recommendations?

- Content
- Discontent
- No strong view

Please include details in support of your views.

A full scale review of the deprivation methodology was considered out of scope for this update. However, this project will seek to establish what the various key stakeholders are using these spatial deprivation measures for, or how they are affected by the uses by others. This will provide an understanding of stakeholders' requirements and assist with the formulation of appropriate guidance and advice in terms of how the measures can and should be used.

You may want to reflect on:

- Your use of the Multiple Deprivation Measure, individual domain measures or indicators;
- Your use of the measures for resource allocation, targeting deprived areas, policy monitoring, research, etc.;
- Your use of the measures at certain geographical levels or for sub-sections of the population;
- Uses where the current methodology is not fit for purpose; and
- Those purposes which you consider the measures do not currently support.

8.3 Please provide some information on how you or your organisation uses or is affected by the Multiple Deprivation Measure.

Please remember to complete [Section 9: About you](#) and [Section 10: Consent](#) at the end of this document.

Section 9: About you

9.1 Please provide your contact details.

Your name * _____
Organisation (if applicable) * _____
Email address * _____
Telephone number _____

* Response required

9.2 Are you answering this questionnaire on behalf of an organisation or as an individual?

- Organisation
 Individual

9.3 Which of the following best describes the sector you work in?

This will assist us in monitoring the range of users the consultation has reached.

- Central government
 Local government
 Statutory body (for example, health, education, transport, housing etc)
 Private sector
 Social / Academic research
 Market research / Data analytics
 Charity / Community / Voluntary
 Utility provider
 Press / media
 Other – please specify: _____

9.4 May we contact you to discuss your response to this consultation?

This may be to follow up any specific points we need to clarify.

- Yes
 No

9.5 May we contact you in future about the Multiple Deprivation Update?

For example, to inform you of the results of this consultation, final results of this project or dissemination events.

- Yes
 No

Section 10: Consent

To support transparency in our decision making process, all responses to this consultation will be made public (subject to our [Moderation Policy](#)). This will include the name of the responding organisation (if applicable). However, names of individuals will only be published if you give consent below. Please note that we will not publish your contact details.

- Yes, I consent to my name being published with my response**
- No, please remove my name before publishing my response**

(Please be aware that any information provided in response to this consultation could be made publicly available if requested under a Freedom of Information request).

Additional information

Do you have any further comments relevant to this consultation?