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'Active Ageing Strategy 2015 - 2021' **Indicator Consultation 2016**

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BACKGROUND

The 'Active Ageing Strategy 2015 - 2021' was launched in early 2016. The strategy document contains a commitment to develop a set of population-based indicators under the outcomes contained in the strategy, to allow monitoring and evaluation to occur.

The Strategy contains **six outcomes** which were agreed following public consultation in spring 2014. During the development of the Strategy, work has been ongoing to develop annual indicators that will be used to measure if progress is being made against those six outcomes. We have drawn together a draft list of annual indicators and these are shown in Annex 1.

We wish to gather your views and suggestions on the draft annual indicators, any potential alternative indicators and any perceived gaps in coverage across the six outcomes (any data should be available annually, be reliable and relevant). To gather views and ideas an online consultation survey has been developed. To complete the survey, please click [here](#) or use the link on the next page.

Following the consultation, a final set of annual indicators will be prepared, taking into account where possible comments from the consultation process.

HOW TO RESPOND

As mentioned on the previous page, an online survey has been prepared to allow you to give us your views directly. You can also access the survey [here](#).

If you would prefer to respond in writing, hard copies of this survey can be provided by contacting OFMDFM Research Branch at research@ofmdfmi.gov.uk

Alternative formats can be made available on request.

While there are specific questions on each indicator, we would also welcome any other views that you have in relation to the Active Ageing Strategy indicators.

If you have any further queries regarding this consultation document please contact us at:

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ANNEX 1

Draft Annual Indicators for the Active Ageing Strategy

Outcome 1: Older people live independently for as long as they can, free from poverty and in suitable, safe homes.

- Relative low income percentages for population groups, Northern Ireland (After Housing Costs)
- Pensioner material deprivation percentage

Source: DSD, Households Below Average Income report

- Percentage of those with individual internet access, by age
- Car Ownership by household, by age

Source: NISRA, Continuous Household Survey

- Number of SmartPass users

Source: Translink

- Percentage of those in fuel poverty, by age
- Percentage living in decent homes, by age

Source: NIHE, Home Condition Survey

- Percentage who were worried about crime overall by age
- Percentage of those at risk of becoming a victim of any household crime
- Percentage of those at risk of becoming a victim of any personal crime

Source: DoJ, NI Crime Survey

- Full and eligible licence holders (private car / light van) by age, as a proportion of the population

Source: DVA Driver Licensing

- Percentage holding a driving licence by age
- Journeys per person per year by main mode of transport, age and sex
- Percentage who have difficulty with travel due to physical disability or long-standing health problem by age

Source: DRD, Travel Survey NI

Outcome 2: Older people are involved in their family and community and in civic life.

- Percentage of volunteers by age

Source: Volunteer Now / DSD

- Percentage of population aged 50+ on electoral register

Source: Electoral Office NI

Outcome 3: Older people are healthier for longer.

- Percentage who reported their general health as good over the last 12 months by age

Source: DHSSPS, Health Survey NI

- Healthy Life expectancy by age

Source: DHSSPS, Public Health Information & Research Branch

Outcome 4: Older workers remain in employment for as long as they wish or need to.

- Percentage of people 50+ who are unemployed

Source: DFP, Economic and Labour Market Statistics Branch

- Essential Skills enrolments and qualifications, by age
- Percentage of Steps to Success participants who moved into unsubsidised employment sustained for six months, by age

Source: DEL, Research and Evaluation Branch

- Percentage of respondents who think that people in their 50's and 60's who are looking for work are generally treated better / worse than younger people by prospective employers, by age
- Percentage of respondents who stated an employer not treat them well because of their age, by age

Source: NI Life and Times Survey

Outcome 5: Older people participate in cultural, educational and physical activity.

- Percentage of enrolments at Northern Ireland Further Education Colleges, by age
- Percentage of enrolments at Northern Ireland Higher Education Institutions, by age

Source: DEL, Research and Evaluation Branch

- Percentage of individuals who had engagement with the arts within the last year, by age
- Percentage of respondents who have participated in sport or walked for recreation within the last year, by age

Source: DCAL, Continuous Household Survey

- Percentage achieving Chief Medical Officer's recommendations for physical activity, by age

Source: DHSSPS, Health Survey NI

Outcome 6: Older people's dignity and human rights are effectively safeguarded.

- Percentage who think older people treated better / worse because of their age, by age
- Percentage who think as you get older, people treat you with more respect, by age
- Percentage who think the authorities in NI do all they should for older people, by age
- Percentage who think society recognises the contribution that many older people are still able to make, by age

Source: NI Life and Times Survey