

## **Sex Worker Liaison Group on Human Trafficking**

### **Terms of reference**

1. These Terms of Reference will be kept under review by the Liaison Group.

### **Purpose**

2. The purpose of the Group is to formalise and improve the engagement between the Department of Justice and organisations representing or working with sex workers to assist in the overall strategy to raise awareness of human trafficking and to identify and rescue potential victims.

### **Role and remit**

3. The role of the Liaison Group will be to:
  - explore methods of working together to tackle human trafficking for sexual exploitation;
  - assist in the development of resources to improve identification of victims trafficked for sexual exploitation;
  - inform development of human trafficking policy, programmes and strategies; and
  - provide an arena for the exchange of information and ideas.

### **Chair**

4. The Group will be chaired by a senior official of the Department of Justice.

### **Support**

5. The Department of Justice will provide the secretariat role for the Group. Minutes of meetings will be produced and will be accessible on the OCTF website.

### **Review**

6. The Terms of Reference will be kept under review. The work of the Liaison Group will be reviewed not later than after two full years of operation (September 2017).

### **Membership**

7. The membership is set out below. It will be kept under review by the Group. Others may be invited to attend the meetings of the Group if they have knowledge on specific topics. A deputy may be sent.

Department of Justice

UglyMugs.ie

Sex Workers' Alliance Ireland

Belfast Commercial Sex Workers' project

PSNI

### **Frequency of meetings**

8. Meetings will be held on a quarterly basis. Ad hoc meetings may also be arranged, by agreement, where required.

### **Individual cases**

9. Individual cases should not be discussed (but general points arising from these which do not identify the case may be).