

Do you agree with our proposal that the new offence should cover all formal health and adult social care settings, both in the private and public sectors? Please explain your views.

Yes ✓ No

The criminal justice system must be able to effectively deal with incidents of deliberate neglect or mistreatment across all health and social care settings. The integration of adult health and social care underlines that the 'new offence' should cover both types of settings/

Do you agree with our proposal that the offence should not cover informal arrangements, for example, one family member caring for another?

Yes ✓ No

Existing offenses in statute should apply

Should the new offence cover social care services for children, and if so which services should it cover? Please list any children's services that you think should be excluded from the scope the offence and explain your view.

Yes ✓ No

Comments

Should the offence apply to people who are providing care or treatment on a voluntary basis on behalf of a voluntary organisation?

Yes ✓ No

Comments

Do you agree with our proposal that the new offence should concentrate on the act of wilfully neglecting, or ill-treating an individual rather than any harm suffered as a result of that behaviour?

Yes ✓ No

No 'level' of deliberate neglect or mistreatment is acceptable.

Do you agree with our proposal that the offence should apply to organisations as well as individuals?

Yes No

To ensure consistency

How, and in what circumstances, do you think the offence should apply to organisations?

Yes No

As per existing legislation relating to mental health patients and adults with incapacity

Do you agree that the penalties for this offence should be the same as those for the offences in section 315 of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 and section 83 of the Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000?

Yes No

Comments

Should the courts have any additional penalty options in respect of organisations? If so, please provide details of any other penalty options that you think would be appropriate.

Yes No

Facilities closed.

What issues or opportunities do the proposed changes raise for people with protected characteristics (age; disability; gender reassignment; race; religion or belief; sex; pregnancy and maternity; and sexual orientation) and what action could be taken to mitigate the impact of any negative issues?

Positive impact, offering formal 'protection'