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CrI Mary Knowles
Representative Northern Midlands Council
Local Government Association of Tasmania
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Dear Mary

I am writing to thank you/your organisation for its continued membership of the Tasmanian Government's Family Violence Consultative Group (the Consultative Group). Your organisation's contributions to date have been critical to driving real change in our response to family violence, and violence against women and their children in Tasmania.

The Government is committed to taking a responsive and evidence-based approach to family violence, listening to emerging issues and learning from new evidence. We will continue to take this approach as we begin to implement the new action plan released on July 1 2019, *Safe Homes, Families, Communities: Tasmania's action plan for family and sexual violence 2019-2022* (Safe Homes, Families, Communities).

It is my pleasure to invite you to remain a member of the Consultative Group. A copy of the Terms of Reference is provided at Attachment 1 for your information.

To accept this invitation, please provide written confirmation and the contact details of the nominated representative using the form provided at Attachment 2. Please return the form by 5 December 2019 via email to fsvap@communities.tas.gov.au or by post to Attn: Family and Sexual Violence Portfolio, Department of Communities, GPO Box 65, Hobart, Tasmania 7001. Should your organisation have any queries, please contact Alison van den Eynde, Family and Sexual Violence Portfolio on 6165 8320.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Will Hodgman'.

Will Hodgman MP
Premier

FAMILY AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE CONSULTATIVE GROUP

TERMS OF REFERENCE

(October 2019)

Role

The role of the Family and Sexual Violence Consultative Group (FSVCG) is to:

- Provide expert advice to inform Tasmanian Government responses to family violence issues;
- Provide feedback on Tasmanian Government policies, programs, services and initiatives that address and respond to family violence;
- Identify issues faced by those affected by family violence and the services that support those families;
- Support the sharing of information between the Tasmanian Government and the community sector organisations (CSOs);
- Participate in the implementation of sub-projects and actions as required;
- Support the collaborative delivery of *Safe Homes, Families, Communities, Tasmania's action plan for family and sexual violence 2019-2022* (Safe Homes, Families, Communities);
- Assist the Tasmanian Government in monitoring the implementation of *Safe Homes, Families, Communities*;
- Provide input into the development of Tasmania's Implementation Plans under the *National Plan to Reduce Violence Against Women and their Children 2010-2022* (National Plan); and
- Provide feedback as part of evaluations of Tasmania's Implementation Plans under the National Plan.

Membership

The FSVCG comprises of key family violence community service organisations and stakeholders, as well as stakeholders representing key cohorts including: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, women, disability, culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD), rural and remote, children and young people, older people, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) and men.

Members are appointed as representatives of their organisation, not as individuals.

Membership will be reviewed annually by the Minister for Prevention of Family Violence to ensure expertise aligns with the priorities of the current Three Year Action Plan of the National Plan and *Safe Homes, Families, Communities*.

Membership is on a voluntary basis.

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Meeting Schedule

The FSVCG will meet up to three times each year, with dates to be determined by the Department of Premier and Cabinet (DPAC). In the early stages of the implementation of Safe Homes, Families, Communities it may be appropriate for the FSVCG to meet more often.

The Family Violence Secretariat may seek out-of-session advice as required from the FSVCG as a whole, or from individual members, on individual actions and initiatives.

Chair

The Director, Communities, Sport and Recreation (CSR), DPAC, will Chair the FSVCG.

Proxies

Members may nominate a proxy to attend and represent them in the event that they are unable to attend a meeting. Where possible, members should forward the name of their proxy to the Chair prior to the meeting.

Administration

The Family Violence Secretariat will provide secretariat support to the FSVCG.

Family and Sexual Violence Consultative Group 2019



MEMBERSHIP FORM

To be completed and returned by email to fsvap@communities.tas.gov.au or
by post to Attn: Family and Sexual Violence Portfolio, Children and Youth
Services, Department of Communities, Department of Premier and Cabinet,
GPO Box 65, Hobart, TAS, 7001

Organisation:	
Nominated representative:	
Position:	
Email:	
Phone:	
Postal address:	
Dietary requirements: <i>(for meetings)</i>	