# Sex Offender Public Disclosure: Learning from the UK pilots & international research

**UNDERSTANDING PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF SEX OFFENDER INFORMATION IN IRELAND: LOCALISM, COMMUNITY AND REINTEGRATION**

**Newforge Country Club, Newforge Lane, Belfast**

**Thursday 3rd May 2012, 10am – 4pm**

## Introduction

| Introduction | Marcella Leonard, Public Protection Arrangements Northern Ireland  
Kieran McCartan, University of the West of England |
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## Key note speakers

1. **Marie Keenan, University College Dublin**  
   *Cultural attitudes to sexual offending and their impact upon offender management in Ireland*

2. **Anne-Marie McAlinden, Queens University Belfast**  
   *Community responses to sex offenders in Northern Ireland*

3. **D/S Alistair Wallace, PSNI Public protection Branch**  
   *Policing and public disclosure in Northern Ireland*

## Breakaway Discussion groups

1. **Access and targeting: the reality of community engagement any sex offender disclosure scheme in Northern Ireland.** Chaired by Anne-Marie McAlinden & Alistair Wallace

2. **The impact of disclosure on sex offender rehabilitation and reintegration**  
   Chaired by Shadd Maruna & Kirsty Hudson

3. **Protecting the public (?)**: The relationship between public disclosure and the management of offenders in the community. Chaired by Kieran McCartan & Marcella Leonard

4. **The reality and impact of Sex offender disclosure in the Republic of Ireland.** Chaired by Marie Keenan & Hazel Kemshall

## Conclusions

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