

Understanding Sex Offender disclosure in Wales: Devolution, Context, and Partnership Networks

Welcome and Introduction



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The knowledge exchange network- who we are:

<http://www1.uwe.ac.uk/hls/research/sexoffenderpublicdisclosure.aspx>

- Three universities, supported by other key academics in UK and abroad
- Key statutory and third sector partners, spread across the UK & Southern Ireland.



The Knowledge Exchange Network

Four Distinct Events

1. Access, impact and value-added (Scotland - Feb 2012)
2. Localism, community and reintegration (Northern Ireland – May 2012)
3. Devolution, Context, and Partnership Networks (Wales –Sept 2012).
4. Public perceptions, media framing, and risk policy formation (England – Nov 2012).

On-line debates

1. Public awareness of sex offenders (18th – 30th April)
2. Public disclosure and minority group (11th June – 2nd July)
3. Sex offender reintegration (1st October 2012 - 19th October)
4. Transnational policy, practice and information sharing (January 2013)

U Tube for public outreach
Final conference 2013

Network Outputs

- Discuss the reality of sex offender disclosure in Wales, drawing specifically on cultural/social/economic differences in rural and urban contexts.
- Identify the disclosure schemes contribution to existing local network, partnerships and multi-agency public protection arrangements (MAPPA) throughout Wales.
- Share learning and best practice on access, targeting and marketing strategies.
- Address the impact of devolution and its links to 'shared' Criminal Justice Services.

The Purpose of Today

- A morning of presentations from academics, policy makers and practitioners in order to showcase current research and practice on sex offender disclosure and management in Wales
- The afternoon provides you with the opportunity to develop key themes, exchange best practice, and consolidate outcomes on emerging areas in public disclosure within a number of workshop sessions.

Structure of the day