Mosaic LGBT Youth Centre

Questions

1 Do you have any comments on the proposal that applicants must live in their acquired gender for at least 3 months before applying for a GRC?

Yes

If yes, please outline these comments.:

Young Trans persons specifically benefit a lot from social transition. Research tells us that social transition alone can reduce suicide risk by 50%. 3 months is sufficient time for people to be serious and help them make the right choice.

2 Do you have any comments on the proposal that applicants must go through a period of reflection for at least 3 months before obtaining a GRC?

Yes

If yes, please outline these comments.:

Reflection is critical to help people think through the implications of their decision.

3 Should the minimum age at which a person can apply for legal gender recognition be reduced from 18 to 16?

Yes

If you wish, please give reasons for your view.:

Young persons can suffer suicidal ideation just because their gender identity. Reducing the age to 16 will save a lot of young Scottish lives.

4 Do you have any other comments on the provisions of the draft Bill?

No

If yes, please outline these comments.:

5 Do you have any comments on the draft Impact Assessments?

No

If yes, please outline these comments.: