**Drafts of a new ecclesiastical exemption order and best-practice guidance documents**

**Consultation response form**

Since the consultation covers more than one area of the historic environment, some of the questions may fall outside your interest or experience. Therefore, please feel free to answer as many or as few of the questions as you like.

Please return this form to reach the Welsh Government no later than 13 July 2018.

If you have any questions, please email:

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| Other group not listed above |  |

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| **Confidentiality — Responses to consultations may be made public on the internet or in a report.** | |
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A. The draft Ecclesiastical Exemption (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) (Wales) Order 2018

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| **Q1.** | **Do you agree that ecclesiastical exemption for conservation area consent should be removed?** | | | | |
| Agree |  | Disagree |  | Neither Agree nor Disagree |  |
| If not, please specify in what circumstances it should still apply. | | | | | |

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| **Q2.** | **Do you agree that any object or structure within the curtilage of a listed church building should be considered part of that church building for the purposes of ecclesiastical exemption, whether or not it is listed in its own right?** | | | | |
| Agree |  | Disagree |  | Neither Agree nor Disagree |  |
| If not, please explain why. | | | | | |

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| **Q3.** | **Do you agree that the draft Order has not made any substantive changes other than those described above?** | | | | |
| Agree |  | Disagree |  | Neither Agree nor Disagree |  |
| Further comments. | | | | | |

B. Draft best-practice guidance: *Managing Change to Historic Places of Worship in Wales: the Ecclesiastical Exemption*

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| **Q4.** | **Do you agree with the guiding principles set out in part 4 of *Managing Change to Historic Places of Worship in Wales: the Ecclesiastical Exemption*?** | | | | |
| Agree |  | Disagree |  | Neither Agree nor Disagree |  |
| If not, how would you change them? | | | | | |

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| **Q5.** | **Do you agree that the code of practice for denominational consent procedures covers the key issues?** | | | | |
| Agree |  | Disagree |  | Neither Agree nor Disagree |  |
| If not, what is missing? | | | | | |

C. Draft best-practice guidance: *Managing Scheduled Monuments in Wales*

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| **Q6.** | **Do you agree that the draft guidance, *Managing Scheduled Monuments in Wales*, clearly explains the roles and responsibilities of those involved in the management and maintenance of scheduled monuments?** | | | | |
| Agree |  | Disagree |  | Neither Agree nor Disagree |  |
| If not, how could it be improved? | | | | | |

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| **Q7.** | **Do you agree that the draft guidance clearly explains the scheduled monument consent process?** | | | | |
| Agree |  | Disagree |  | Neither Agree nor Disagree |  |
| If not, how could it be improved? | | | | | |

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| **Q8.** | **Do you agree that the draft guidance gives sufficient information to support the careful management of change to scheduled monuments?** | | | | |
| Agree |  | Disagree |  | Neither Agree nor Disagree |  |
| If not, what could be added? | | | | | |

Additional comments

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| **Q9.** | **We have asked a number of specific questions. If you have any related issues that we have not specifically addressed, please raise them here.** |
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How to respond

Please submit your comments by 13 July 2018 by email or post.

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| **Email** |
| Please send the consultation form to:  [historicenvironmentleg@gov.wales](mailto:historicenvironmentleg@gov.wales)  [Please include **‘Regulations and Guidance Consultation 3**’ in the subject line.] |

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| **Post** |
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