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Submitted to **Falls and Fracture Prevention Strategy for Scotland, 2019-2024**

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Questions

1 Do you agree the Strategy will improve services for those who experience Falls?

Yes

If not, what improvements do you suggest?:

The strategy highlights a number of evidence-based approaches that reduce falls. Improving services for those who experience falls is only a small part of the falls and fracture prevention strategy. We would strongly encourage a really ambitious strategy where the focus is on primary prevention, healthy ageing and collaboration across organisations, not just improving pathways and services for those who have fallen.

We think the way in which all the commitments will work together to prevent falls could be made much clearer within the strategy. We think the change that is required and the expectations from practitioners and policy in order to deliver the vision could also be made much clearer.

2 Do you agree with the outcomes in the Strategy?

Yes

If not, why not?:

We welcome the outcomes and the ambitions within the strategy. The way in which the commitments will work to meet the outcomes and ambitions could be made much clearer. The shift required of those working expected to deliver the commitments could also be made clearer.

3 Do you have any comments or additions on topics which are not covered in the Strategy?

Please be specific in your reasons and include any resources or references we should consider.:

No, but we would take the lead from individuals and organisations who have substantially more experience and expertise in falls prevention to advise on this.

4 Are there any key areas missing or any general amendments you would suggest?

Please explain your views.:

We welcome the publication of the falls strategy. Lived experience is missing from the strategy, frontline practitioner input and academic evidence could be more prominent.

We think the strategy could be more ambitious and explore the transformational change (in terms of collaboration, spending and mindset) required so that Scotland can be a world leader in falls prevention. We would offer our support in this work going forward.

5 Please comment your thought on how best to support the implementation of the Strategy.

Please explain your views.:

The Scottish Community Safety Network is part of the Building Safer Communities Executive Group. Our current phase of activity is focused on preventing unintentional harm and injury which is already in the sights of this work and the strategy development. We would offer our commitment through BSC to become involved in any cross-sector collaborative work.

6 Do you have any further general comments on the Falls and Fragility Fracture Prevention Scotland Strategy?

Please explain your views.:

None. Everything is covered in our previous answers.

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Are you responding as an individual or an organisation?

Organisation

What is your organisation?

Organisation:

Scottish Community Safety Network

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Yes

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Very satisfied

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