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Final Report of the Working Group to Examine the Disregard of Convictions Related to Consensual Sexual Activity between Men

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Working Group to Examine the Disregard of Convictions for Certain Qualifying Offences Related to Consensual Sexual Activity between Men: Final Report

The Working Group to Examine the Disregard of Convictions for Certain Qualifying Offences Related to Consensual Sexual Activity between Men (hereafter 'the Working Group') has concluded its deliberations and completed its final report.

The Working Group met eleven times during its tenure with follow up and wider outreach activities occurring between each meeting. From 3 November to 9 December 2022, the Department of Justice held a public consultation on key issues related to the development of a scheme to disregard relevant convictions. This consultation received 148 submissions from individuals, LGBTQI+ representative organisations, other non-governmental organisations, trade unions and political parties and representatives. The input provided in these submissions was invaluable to the Working Group in their deliberations and has helped shape the final recommendations for a number of key issues in this report. A summary report of the consultation is available below.

This report represents the culmination of the Working Group deliberations and includes 95 recommendations across a number of areas.

- [Final Report and recommendations of the Working Group \(/pdf/261368/?page=null\)](/pdf/261368/?page=null)

- [Summary Report on the Public Consultation \(/pdf/261370/?page=null\)](/pdf/261370/?page=null).
- [Commissioned report by legal historian 'Convictions for Homosexual Acts in the Irish Courts, 1922-1993' on publically available records that may supplement available records \(/pdf/261373/?page=null\)](/pdf/261373/?page=null).

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