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Introduction

The consultation questions are drawn from Section 22 of the GRACE Framework Green Paper and associated annexes.

This document presents those questions in a structured, accessible format to support transparency and public review. It is published as a pre-consultation edition and does not initiate a formal consultation process.

The full rationale, legal context, and governance framework underpinning each question are set out in the Green Paper and its annexes.

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This document is designed to support structured policy evaluation across complex and interdependent systems. The questions presented do not imply predetermined conclusions, nor do they advocate for any single policy outcome.

They are intended to test governance, lawfulness, fiscal sustainability, safeguarding, and system integrity under a range of plausible conditions. Where sensitive or contested issues are referenced, they are included to ensure that potential impacts — including on individuals, communities, institutions, and taxpayers — can be examined transparently, proportionately, and with appropriate democratic oversight.

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This includes protection against discrimination or bias on the basis of race, ethnicity, religion (including religious prejudice such as antisemitism and islamophobia (the latter used here as a non-statutory term in public and policy discourse, with “antisemitism” understood in line with established UK policy definitions), sex, disability, or any other protected characteristic.

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Consultation Framework

The questions below are designed to test system behaviour, governance structures, and policy trade-offs across multiple domains. They should be read as analytical prompts rather than statements of position.

The following questions are presented in a structured format to support future consultation. They are not currently open for submission.

A – Governance & Oversight (Q1–Q5)

This block focuses on the three lines of defence: operations and delivery, risk and compliance, and independent audit, plus overall standards.

Q1. Should all departments publish annual Governance Cycle Reports in a common, publicly accessible format?

Reference: §17 / Annex V

Response (select one): Yes / No / Don't know

Optional comments: _____

Q2. Should the Central Implementation Board (CIB) include non-executive members drawn from civil-society or academic bodies?

Reference: §17 / Annex O; Annex Q

Response (select one): Yes / No / Don't know

Optional comments: _____

Q3. Should Parliament establish an Independent Implementation Auditor to monitor compliance with governance and transparency standards?

Reference: §11 / Annex O

Response (select one): Yes / No / Don't know

Optional comments: _____

Q4. Is a three-year public-audit timetable sufficient to maintain accountability without excessive administrative burden?

Reference: §17 / Annex O

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q5. Should Parliament review conflict-of-interest registers for ministers and senior officials annually?

Reference: §11 / Annex J

Response (select one): Yes / No / Don't know

Optional comments: _____

B – Lawfulness & Human Rights (Q6–Q9, Q7A–Q7C)

Q6. Should an automatic proportionality review be triggered whenever UK policy diverges from international standards?

Reference: §§13.5, 20.3 / Annex B; Annex E

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q7. Should domestic law guarantee equivalent or higher protection than the minimum standards required by the ECHR?

Reference: §§13.5, 20.3 / Annex E; Annex V

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q7A. Cross-cutting test – Should a Proportionality Test be applied before major reforms are implemented?

Reference: §7.1.4 / Box 7.A; Annex B.2; Annex V

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q7B. Cross-cutting test – Should a Feasibility Test (workforce, capacity and delivery) be applied before implementation?

For the avoidance of doubt, ‘workforce and capacity’ includes NHS staffing levels, clinical risk, and long-tail liabilities such as medical-negligence exposure arising from sustained system strain.

Reference: §§17, 20.1 / Annex R; Annex V

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q7C. Cross-cutting test – Should a Victim Test be applied to ensure reforms do not undermine the protection or compensation of victims?

Reference: §§17, 20.1 / Annex M; Annex M-1; Annex V

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q8. What model of independent rights-auditing would best ensure lawful implementation and public confidence?

Reference: §11 / Annex O; Annex E

Response: (free-text)

Optional comments: _____

Q9. Should whistle-blowing protections extend to contractors and outsourced service-providers performing public functions for the UK Government?

Reference: §20.6 / Annex G; Annex P

Response (select one): Yes / No / Don't know

Optional comments: _____

For the avoidance of doubt, questions relating to fiscal cost, housing pressure, or system capacity are framed at a structural and policy level. They do not attribute causation to any specific group and should be interpreted solely as system-design considerations.

C – Fiscal & Housing Impact (Q10–Q13)

Q10. Should access to publicly funded welfare depend on lawful residence and a verified contribution history?

Reference: §20.2 / Annex S; Annex V

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q11A. Should the Treasury publish an annual Housing Fiscal Parity Report showing local-authority reimbursements for migration-related pressures?

Reference: §20.2 / Annex S; Annex V; Annex L

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q11B. Should such attribution be published before further fiscal or housing-related burdens are imposed on local authorities or residents, so that Parliament and the public can see where pressures arise and how costs are distributed across central and local government?

Reference: §17.16; Annex S; Annex V; Annex Z

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q12. Are the proposed self-sufficiency and accommodation tests for family-reunion cases proportionate?

Reference: §20.2 / Annex S

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q13A. Should asylum accommodation procurement and related placement decisions be treated explicitly as a housing-market and community-stability intervention, requiring:

- a) ring-fenced, rules-based reimbursement / funding-floor protection for local authorities where migration-related housing, homelessness and safeguarding pressures are evidenced;**
- b) publication-by-default of contract, unit-distribution and unit-cost facts (with methods/confidence notes) so the public can see where money goes and what pressures arise; and**
- c) verified beneficial-ownership and conflicts disclosure for prime providers and material subcontractors, together with a Local Equity Test (LET) and automatic modulation/pause triggers where affordability, homelessness, concentration or move-on thresholds are breached?**

Reference: §5.2.1; §11.3–§11.3.1; §17; §20.2 / Annex S; Annex V; Annex E §E.20.4; Annex L §L.6.1 (Boxes L.6.1A–L.6.1H); Annex J; Annex P

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q13B. Should long-term housing tenure shifts that arise as a foreseeable consequence of migration, housing and procurement policy be treated as explicit policy trade-offs, with associated fiscal exposure made visible and subject to democratic consent?

Reference: §17 (Housing & Fiscal Framework; INSERTS 3–4); §21 (Final Audit and Reconciliation — The Reconciliation Gate); Annex S; Annex V; Annex Z

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Capacity and Fiscal Saturation (Reconciliation Question)

Q13C. Should the Government be required to publish, and keep under review, a clear statement of national capacity for the asylum and migration system — including fiscal, housing, service and workforce limits — and to identify in advance the thresholds at which additional arrivals or commitments would require explicit Parliamentary re-authorisation?

Reference: §21.4–§21.4A (GRACE Reconciliation — The Reconciliation Gate); Annex S; Annex V; Annex Z

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q13D. Should the Government be required, alongside any Budget that increases taxation, to publish a single, reconciled attribution statement setting out:

- a. additional national taxation imposed;
- b. local taxation, charges or service displacement arising from migration and asylum policy; and
- c. external expenditure (including Official Development Assistance and bilateral support) justified as mitigating domestic pressures — so that Parliament and the public can assess whether households are being asked to pay multiple times for the same upstream policy failure?

Reference: §21 (GRACE Reconciliation — The Reconciliation Gate); Annex S; Annex V; Annex Z

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

D – Digital Identity & Data Ethics (Q14–Q17)

Q14. Should the UK legislate a Digital Identity and Data Ethics Bill before any national ID roll-out?

Reference: §19.1 / Annex N; Annex V

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q15. What independent body (or bodies) should verify algorithmic fairness and audit digital-ID suppliers?

Reference: §19.1 / Annex N; Annex O; Annex P

Response: (free-text)

Optional comments: _____

Q16. Should cross-database linkage require explicit parliamentary approval for each major dataset?

Reference: §19.1 / Annex N; Annex Z

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q17A. How should the public be consulted on long-term data-governance and privacy risk?

Reference: §19.1 / Annex N; Annex W; Annex V

Response: (free-text)

Optional comments: _____

Q17B. At what point does the taxpayer become a data-linked participant within a state digital identity system, and what reciprocal rights to transparency, attribution, and control should arise at that point?

Reference: §19.1 / Annex N; Annex V; Annex S

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Explanatory Note

The introduction of a national digital identity system alters the relationship between the individual and the state. Where identity systems are used to access public services, verify eligibility, manage entitlements, or interface with private-sector providers, individuals may move beyond being passive recipients of public policy and become active, data-linked participants within an integrated administrative and economic system.

This raises a foundational governance question: whether participation in such a system — particularly where it is functionally required to access services or comply with administrative processes — should trigger reciprocal rights for the individual as a taxpayer and rights-holder.

These reciprocal rights may include, but are not limited to:

- The ability to verify how public funds are allocated, attributed, and expended across services accessed through the identity system (Annex S alignment);
- Transparency over decision-making processes, including algorithmic or automated determinations affecting eligibility, prioritisation, or risk classification (Annex N and Annex V alignment);
- Visibility of institutional and third-party access to identity-linked data, including any commercial or contracted service providers operating within the system;
- The ability to distinguish between public-interest use of data and any form of economic or commercial interaction derived from identity-linked activity;
- Assurance that the taxpayer is not transformed into a passive economic input within a system where value extraction, data usage, or service delivery occurs without clear attribution, consent, or oversight.

The question therefore considers whether the introduction of digital identity should be accompanied by a principle of reciprocal transparency and attribution, whereby the state provides individuals with clear, accessible, and verifiable insight into how systems operate around them — including financial flows, decision pathways, and data usage — rather than limiting visibility to compliance obligations placed upon the individual.

E – Victim & Safeguarding Duties (Q18–Q21)

Q18. How should victim-support services and criminal-injury compensation be strengthened to reflect the specific harms in trafficking, grooming and organised sexual-exploitation cases?

Reference: §§13.7, 13.9, 20.7 / Annex M; Annex M-1; Annex G

Response: (free-text)

Optional comments: _____

Q19. Should safeguarding training be mandatory for all public-sector staff and contracted providers involved in border, asylum, accommodation and community-placement functions, with minimum national standards and independent audit?

Reference: §§13.8, 13.10, 20.6 / Annex H/H2; Annex T

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q20. Should grooming and organised sexual exploitation, where coercion and control are present, be formally recognised, investigated and prosecuted as forms of modern slavery (including ‘slave gangs’), rather than remaining primarily as separate sexual-offence categories?

Reference: §13.9 (incl. Inset 13.9.A) / Annex M; Annex M-1

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q21A. Should legislation be amended to create clear offences of facilitation by omission for officials and contracted providers who knowingly ignore, suppress or fail to report credible indicators of exploitation or modern slavery?

Reference: §§11.3–11.3.1, 11.8.2, 13.9.1–13.9.2, 20.6.4 / Annex J; Annex E; Annex O; Annex M

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q21B. Should the HOLLY Children’s Safeguarding Standard (Honour, Offer, Listen, Link, Yield) be adopted as national practice for any adult receiving a disclosure from or about a child, with mandatory training, audit and publication of compliance metrics?

Reference: §13.10; §§20.7.5, 20.7.11 / Annex H/H2; Annex M; Annex V

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

F – Transparency & Procurement Integrity (Q22–Q24)

Q22. Should open-contracting standards be mandatory across all departments, with publication of contract awards and core performance data as a default?

Reference: §§16, 19.1 / Annex P; Annex V

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q23. Should suppliers of public-service contracts be required to publish and maintain up-to-date beneficial-ownership and control data as a condition of eligibility to bid?

Reference: §§11.3–11.3.1, 16.5 / Annex J; Annex P

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q24A. Should independent auditors be required to verify conflicts-of-interest and beneficial-ownership declarations on at least an annual basis, with non-compliance reported publicly and to Parliament?

Reference: §§11.2–11.3, 16.5 / Annex O; Annex J

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q24B. Contracting and market structure (“industry effects”).

Some stakeholders argue that long-term, high-value contracting in migration and asylum can create a self-perpetuating service market (“industry effects”) in which commercial incentives, subcontracting chains, and demand dynamics begin to influence operational choices, local housing pressure, and public confidence. Others argue that contracting is simply a delivery mechanism and that such effects are overstated. To what extent do you agree that market-structure risk should be treated as a governance issue requiring explicit safeguards (transparency, conflicts controls, audit triggers, and contract-design limits)?

Reference: §5.2.1; §11.3–§11.3.1; §17; Annex P; Annex J; Annex V; Annex Z

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q24C. In assessing whether democratic consent is capable of being meaningfully given, should reconciliation be regarded as incomplete where:

- a) material decisions on continuation, expansion, or tolerance of variance are taken by persons or bodies with financial, contractual, or career exposure to the delivery model under review; or**
- b) conflicts of interest — whether direct, indirect, or structural — are not declared, mitigated, and published in a form capable of public scrutiny?**

Response (select one): Yes / No / Don't know

Optional comments: _____

G – Equality & Community Cohesion (Q25–Q27)

Q25. How can equality-impact assessments be improved to reflect local-community realities, including language access, disability and the lived experience of both residents and new arrivals?

Reference: §13.6 / Annex K; Annex L; Annex I

Response: (free-text)

Optional comments: _____

Q26. Should statutory guidance clarify that homeless residents and other locally vulnerable groups are entitled to equal treatment and safeguards when capacity is constrained, so that ‘equal vulnerability’ attracts ‘equal protection’ in practice?

Reference: §§11.4.1, 13.11, 17.11 / Annex K; Annex L

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q27. What measures would most effectively strengthen social-cohesion outcomes of border and migration policy (for example, through local engagement, community-impact monitoring and transparent communication)?

Reference: §§4, 18 / Annex L; Annex W

Response: (free-text)

Optional comments: _____

H – Temporary Reception, Behaviour & Capacity Triggers (Q28–Q30)

Q28. Do you consider the proposed Temporary Reception, Assessment and Contribution Framework (time-limited sites, 60-day cap, structured activity, curfew and exclusion zones) to be a proportionate way to manage risk, provided measures are PSIS Test-Triggered, time-limited and independently audited?

Reference: §§20.7–20.7.8 / Annex H; Annex H2; Annex R; Annex V

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q29. What safeguards are needed to ensure that the Behaviour & Community Impact Record (BCIR) is fair, time-limited and does not penalise victims of exploitation, while still allowing behaviour-linked modulation of non-emergency benefits and privileges?

Reference: §20.7.10 / Annex V; Annex K (where PPI impacts are in scope)

Response: (free-text)

Optional comments: _____

Q30. Do you support the use of automatic, PSIS Test-triggered pause or modulation triggers (such as statutory capacity ceiling and automatic pause powers (proposed) and spillover-readiness triggers) when lawful accommodation, safeguarding or fiscal thresholds are breached, with a duty to publish the decision and rationale?

Reference: §§5, 11.8.2, 17.11, 18.13, 19.8.3, 20.7 / Annex E; Annex S; Annex O; Annex V

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

I – Secular Safeguarding & Equal-Application (Q31–Q34)

Q31. Do you agree that the UK should adopt an explicit safeguarding principle: neutral on belief, absolute on protection, with equal application of consent, age-of-consent and exploitation laws to everyone?

Reference: §§4, 11, 13, 20.6 / Annex K; Annex M

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q32. Should a standard ‘UK Law 101’ induction on consent, age of consent, grooming, harassment and how to get help be mandatory for all residents and new arrivals, with recorded acknowledgement?

Reference: §§11.8, 13.8, 20.7.11 / Annex H; Annex H2; Annex T

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q33. Should the HOLLY Children’s Safeguarding Standard be adopted as an organisational standard in schools, reception sites and community placements (policy, training and supervision), with independent audit and publication of compliance metrics?

Reference: §13.10; §§20.7.5–20.7.11 / Annex H/H2; Annex V

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q34. What additional safeguards, if any, are needed to prevent bias, discrimination (including religious prejudice such as antisemitism and islamophobia (the latter a non-statutory term)) or stigma when applying safeguarding rules in a secular, pluralist system?

Reference: §§13.6, 13.9, 19.0.1 / Annex I; Annex K; Annex L

Response: (free-text)

Optional comments: _____

J – Gibraltar Frontier & Territorial Safeguards (Q35)

Q35. Should any Schengen-linked frontier arrangement for Gibraltar be conditional on:

- a) dual approval by the UK and Gibraltar Parliaments;**
- b) fiscal neutrality or indemnity for UK and Gibraltar taxpayers; and**
- c) enforceable reciprocal returns and safeguarding obligations with Spain?**

Reference: §§19.9–19.10 / Annex D; Annex F; Annex S; Annex V

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

K – Value for Money, Transparency & Recent Arrivals (Q36–Q43)

This block focuses on value for money over roughly a ten-year window, transparency of spend and contracts, and data on recent arrivals.

Q36. To what extent do you agree that any reform of asylum and border systems should be conditional on clear evidence of value for money for taxpayers (for example, published cost per place, per outcome and long-term cost avoidance)?

Reference: §§5, 11, 18, 19 / Annex S; Annex V

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q37. Should the UK Government be required to publish regular ‘value for money’ reports on the asylum and migration system (including costs, savings, and risk-reduction benefits) in a format understandable to the public?

Reference: §§11.2, 11.8, 19.1 / Annex S; Annex V; Annex Z

Response (select one): Yes / No / Don’t know

Optional comments: _____

Q38. Should all major asylum and migration contracts (including key performance indicators and beneficial ownership of suppliers) be published, subject to clear national-security exemptions?

Reference: §§11.3, 11.8, 19.5 / Annex J; Annex P; Annex Z

Response (select one): Yes / No / Don't know

Optional comments: _____

Q39. Should there be a single public 'transparency register' bringing together spending, contracts, risk alerts and oversight findings for the asylum and migration system, so that taxpayers can see where money is going and what results are being achieved?

This register would subsume or directly link to the value-for-money publications referenced in Q37.

Reference: §§11, 17, 19 / Annex S; Annex V; Annex Z

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q40. Overall, do you feel the current asylum and migration system gives taxpayers value for money? (This is intended to capture perceptions of the current system, not only the proposals in this Green Paper.)

Reference: Perception question

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q41. Should the UK Government be required to publish an annual breakdown of welfare and support spending on people who have recently arrived in the UK (for example, within the first ten years of residence), including asylum support, housing, and mainstream benefits such as Universal Credit?

Reference: §§5, 11, 18 / Annex S; Annex V

Response (select one): Yes / No / Don't know

Optional comments: _____

Q42. To what extent do you agree that Parliament and the public should have access to clear, disaggregated data on:

- a) asylum-related accommodation and support;**
- b) mainstream benefits for people within their first ten years of residence in the UK;**
- c) housing and homelessness support for people within their first ten years of residence in the UK; and**
- d) estimated NHS and social-care costs linked to people within their first ten years of residence in the UK?**

Reference: §§5, 11, 19 / Annex S; Annex V; Annex Z

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q43. Should statistics on Universal Credit and related benefits clearly distinguish between (a) long-term residents and (b) people within their first ten years of residence in the UK, so that any reforms can be evaluated for fairness and value for money?

Reference: §§10, 11, 18 / Annex S; Annex V

Response (select one): Yes / No / Don't know

Optional comments: _____

L – Overall Governance Architecture (Q44)

Q44. Taking the framework as a whole (Parliament, the Central Implementation Board, the Independent Implementation Auditor, the Independent Safeguarding Commissioner, the Digital Governance Council and territorial/devolved oversight boards), do you consider the proposed governance structure to be clear, workable and proportionate? If not, what would you simplify, strengthen or change?

Reference: §§11, 17, 18, 19, 20 / Annex O; Annex E; Annex S; Annex V

Response: (free-text)

Optional comments: _____

M – Democratic Legibility & Public Value (Q45 - Q46)

Q45. In a democratic system where political organisations exercise substantial influence over public policy, should consideration be given to enhanced transparency standards that improve public understanding of how influence, support, and accountability interact within organisations that derive authority from public consent?

Such transparency could include proportionate, privacy-respecting disclosure frameworks covering material influence environments — including financial support, governance and advisory ecosystems, and sustained non-financial influence where relevant to democratic accountability. The purpose would not be to constrain participation or imply impropriety, but to strengthen democratic legibility and informed consent.

Reference: §21

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Q46. Where public funds, public guarantees, or sovereign economic space (such as land, infrastructure, regulated markets, or state-backed incentives) contribute materially to value creation, should government provide clear, accessible reporting on how resulting economic value is distributed — including domestic participation, ownership structures, and long-term value retention?

This would not restrict international investment or supply chains, but would aim to ensure that democratic consent is supported by transparency over how public resources translate into economic outcomes.

Reference: §21

Response (select one): 1 – Strongly disagree 2 – Disagree 3 – Neither agree nor disagree 4 – Agree 5 – Strongly agree

Optional comments: _____

Closing Note

This pre-consultation publication ensures that the consultation framework is transparent, structured, and ready for formal use, while preserving the distinction between publication and active consultation.

Any future consultation process, if initiated, will be formally announced with appropriate submission mechanisms and data protection provisions.

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