

CONSULTATION on the government's New Plan For Immigration

Amnesty's response: a quick guide to the survey questions

This quick reference table outlines how Amnesty will respond to the New Plan for Immigration consultation. Our responses may help you formulate your own answers. A fuller guidance document explaining the background to Amnesty's responses is available [here](#). To get to the consultation, visit www.gov.uk/government/consultations/new-plan-for-immigration and click on 'Respond online' at the bottom of the page.

There are two questionnaires. If you don't have time to complete these in full, please focus on answering the most important questions, **highlighted in red** in this table. Doing this would take about 15-20 minutes. Responding to the surveys in full would take an hour, or possibly more.

Survey 1: New Plan for Immigration – Main questionnaire

QUESTION 1: *on the Foreword*

Amnesty's response: Strongly oppose.

QUESTION 2: *Government objectives for asylum system*

Amnesty's response: Decline to answer.

QUESTION 3: *on safe and legal routes*

Amnesty's response: Decline to answer.

QUESTION 4: *on family reunion*

Amnesty's response: Decline to answer.

QUESTION 5: *on changes in law post-Brexit*

Amnesty's response: Decline to answer.

QUESTIONS 6-10: *inviting observations on family reunion and safe and legal routes*

Amnesty's response: Comments on each question

QUESTION 11: *on new citizenship provisions for some children*

Amnesty's response: Very effective.

QUESTION 12: *on correcting historical anomalies in British Nationality Law*

Amnesty's response: Very effective.

QUESTION 13: *on new adult registration route*

Amnesty's response: Decline to answer.

QUESTION 14: *on waiving residence requirement for citizenship, eg Windrush*

Amnesty's response: Very effective.

► Survey 1 (contd): Main questionnaire

QUESTION 15: *on admission to UK asylum system for those who arrive via 'safe' third countries*
Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 16: *on rapid removal of people who are refused admission to UK asylum system*
Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 17: *on making grants of protection status even more short-term*
Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 18: *on reception centres for people seeking asylum*
Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 19: *Processing people's asylum claims outside the UK*
Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 20: *on reducing irregular migration to UK*
Amnesty's response to each part of the question: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 21: *on introducing a 'good faith' formality in the asylum system*
Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 22: *on one-stop process*
Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 23: *on Modern Slavery appeals*
Amnesty's response: Don't know.

QUESTION 24: *on changes to asylum and appeals system (several parts)*
Amnesty's response: To the first part of this question (concerning early legal advice): 'Fairly effective'. To the fourth part (concerning experts): 'Don't know'. To the remaining parts: 'Not at all effective'.

QUESTION 25: *on support for victims of modern slavery*
Amnesty's response: We decline to answer.

QUESTION 26: *on penalties for entry in the UK without prior permission*
Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 27: *on penalties for aiding immigration without prior permission*
Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 28: *on additional Border Force powers*
Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

► Survey 1 (contd): Main questionnaire

QUESTION 29: *penalties for returning to UK in breach of a deportation order*

Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 30: *on Clandestine Civil Penalty regime*

Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 31: *on electronic travel authorisation scheme*

Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 32: *on electronic travel authorisation scheme*

Amnesty's response: Decline to answer.

QUESTION 33: *inviting comment on electronic travel authorisation*

Amnesty's response: Decline to answer.

QUESTION 34: *on removing support from families refused asylum*

Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 35: *on restricting visa availability by nationality or national origin*

Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 36: *on early removal scheme for prisoners*

Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 37: *on immigration bail*

Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 38: *on notice period for enforced removals*

Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 39: *on Immigration Bail*

Amnesty's response: Disagree.

QUESTIONS 40-44: *inviting comment on Equalities Act considerations*

Amnesty's response: We respond briefly to these questions but believe they are not suitable for a consultation of this type.

QUESTION 45: *inviting further feedback on the New Plan for Immigration*

Amnesty's response: We make some further general observations. (This is an opportunity to make a comment on the proposals overall, even if it is just a short comment or one that focuses on one part of the proposals.)

► Survey 2: New Plan for Immigration – Further detailed questions

QUESTION 1: *Inviting additional feedback on various aspects of the what is presented as the overview to the Home Office 'plan'*

Amnesty's response: Comments, stressing that the UK's immigration and asylum systems will only be further undermined by these proposals. [See full response here](#)

QUESTION 2: *on safe and legal routes*

Amnesty's response: Decline to answer.

QUESTION 3: *on integration of people recognised as refugees in the UK.*

Amnesty's response to each part of the question: Strongly agree.

QUESTION 4: *inviting further feedback on proposals on safe and legal routes.*

Amnesty's response: We explain how the proposals would not improve protection for refugees, and would be detrimental, harmful and in some cases unlawful. [See full response here](#)

QUESTION 5: *on removing or reducing registration rights of stateless UK-born children.*

Amnesty's response: Strongly disagree.

QUESTION 6: *on amending naturalisation law to increase discretion to grant naturalisation (particularly to victims of Windrush scandal).*

Amnesty's response: Agree.

QUESTION 7: *Inviting further feedback on proposals in Chapter 3 (nationality law).*

Amnesty's response: The proposals do not go far enough and there are more problems the Home Office has the power to correct. [See full response here](#)

QUESTION 8: *on a two-tier asylum system (excluding or reducing rights for people for whom there are no safe and legal routes provided)*

Amnesty's response: Government should not create a two-tier asylum system. [See full response here](#)

QUESTION 9: *on a more restrictive standard of proof to establish someone is at risk of persecution.*

Amnesty's response: This is a particularly dangerous proposal. [See full response here](#)

QUESTION 10: *on proposals to restrict admission to the UK asylum system and reduce rights for people admitted to that system*

Amnesty's response: We decline to respond.

QUESTION 11: *Invites comment on plans for a new National Age Assessment Board*

Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 12: *Invites view on Local Authorities undertaking age assessments or NAAB referrals.*

Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 13: *on proposals to give wider license for immigration officers to refuse to accept a person is or may be a child.*

Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

► Survey 2 (contd): Further detailed questions

QUESTION 14: *on proposals to replace judicial review with appeal rights against age assessment decisions.*

Amnesty's response: Not at all effective.

QUESTION 15: *Inviting further feedback on proposals in Chapter 4 (various asylum proposals).*

Amnesty's response: We will supplement points made in our responses to 8 and 9.

QUESTION 16: *on visa system and people whose visa expires or is cut short.*

Amnesty's response: We decline to answer.

QUESTION 17: *on a 'one-stop asylum process'.*

Amnesty's response: Comments on past experience and problems that lie with the Home Office itself. [See full response here](#)

QUESTION 18: *Requests further feedback on proposals in Chapter 5 (asylum claims and appeals).*
[See full response here](#)

Amnesty's response: We supplement our points on question 17. On part (a), we oppose the proposals. [See full response here](#)

QUESTION 19: *Requests feedback on proposals re victims of trafficking in Chapter 6.*

Amnesty's response: Comment on proposals, the need for training for immigration, local authority, and police personnel, and lack of substance in the proposals. [See full response here](#)

QUESTION 20: *on civil penalties and border security in relation to goods vehicles.*

Amnesty's response: Decline to answer.

QUESTION 21: *on civil penalties for haulage sector and others.*

Amnesty's response: Decline to answer.

QUESTION 22: *relates to Question 22.*

Amnesty's response: Decline to answer.

QUESTION 23: *Invites further feedback on proposals in Chapter 7 (haulage sector, civil penalties etc).*

Amnesty's response: The proposals fail to address why people fleeing persecution and/or seeking family reunion must rely on smugglers and/or irregular journeys. [See full response here](#)

QUESTIONS 24-25:

24: *Invites view on notice period before someone is removed.*

25: *Relates to Question 24.*

Amnesty's response to 24 and 25: People facing forcible removal must be given sufficient opportunity to obtain legal representation. Their circumstances must be carefully evaluated. [See full response here](#)

QUESTION 26: *Invites further feedback on proposals in Chapter 8 (removal from the UK).*

Amnesty's response: Existing approaches to removing people are flawed; the plan does not correct this. Reform of the system is needed. [See full response here](#)

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