

**Children (Abolition of Defence of Reasonable Punishment) (Wales) Bill**  
**Expert Stakeholder Group Meeting**  
**15 November 2019**  
**Welsh Government, Cathays Park**

**Agenda / Issues Discussed:**

1. Update on the Bill
2. Update on Bill activity from Stakeholders
3. BAME and targeted audiences
4. Creative Concepts for the public Awareness Raising Campaign

**Actions / Decisions:**

- There was a comms update
- Stakeholders felt the Bill scrutiny process had been thorough and robust and while the Bill is progressing through the Senedd, to focus on stakeholder engagement, with a stronger public awareness campaign starting after Royal Assent.
- The group recognised the need for a shared language to describe the legislation and what it will mean when it comes into force; and recognised the importance of tone.
- The work underway with BAME and targeted groups was welcomed and it was noted that communities' desire to engage further with WG on the proposed law and its implications should be honoured, taking account of their preferred methods of communication.
- Two creative concepts for the potential public awareness campaign were presented to the group, followed by discussion around creative development.