

VSCP Statement

The members of the Victims and Survivors' Consultative Panel (VSCP) are pleased to present the VSCP Terms of Reference. These terms of reference outline the various ways in which the Panel will engage with the IICSA to ensure that victims and survivors remain central to its work.

The Panel has additionally drawn up the following definition of purpose which complements its terms of reference.

The VSCP will strive to:

- enable victims and survivors to engage with the IICSA
- listen to what victims and survivors want within the IICSA
- act as a conduit for victims and survivors concerns around IICSA processes and work
- assist in the design of safe processes at all stages of victim and survivor engagement
- ensure the IICSA is transparent in its work
- advise the IICSA Panel on the requirements of long term support

Since our appointment we have;

1. Agreed the role of the VSCP and written our Terms of Reference
2. Begun our induction process
3. Made, and will continue to make, recommendations on design and content of the website
4. Made recommendations on the future of the information line
5. Begun engagement in the design of the Truth Project
6. Advised on the practical aspects of the regional offices
7. Provided intelligence on the long term support needs of those engaging with the IICSA
8. Consulted in association with IICSA team members on the criteria for the public hearings

We will continue to work closely with the IICSA team to design processes that encourage easy engagement for victims and survivors of abuse.