



## The prosecution of sexual abuse cases - action needed

Keir Starmer, the Director of Public Prosecutions, has written an article outlining the [Guidelines for Reform](#) that are currently out for public consultation.

You can read the Guidelines [here](#) and full instructions on how to respond are listed below.

The final question on the pro-forma asks for you to list the unhelpful myths and stereotypes regarding sexual abuse, please be as detailed as you can. We will be tweeting about this using #SVMYths. We've chosen this # as all unwanted [sexual contact is sexual violence](#), even if violence itself is not used before, after or during the acts(s).

Note you need to either complete the word document and send it to [childsexualabuse.consultation@cps.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:childsexualabuse.consultation@cps.gsi.gov.uk) or print and complete the PDF and send it by post (address listed below.) before the deadline of 3rd September 2013. Consultations received after this date **will not** contribute to the new guidelines.

### How to respond to the consultation - a quick guide

#### By email

1. Download the consultation document on Public Consultation on Interim Guidelines on Prosecuting Cases of Child Sexual Abuse [consultation document](#) (Adobe PDF document - 258kb)
2. Download the consultation [response document](#) (Microsoft Word document - 24kb)
3. Complete the form by typing in the spaces
4. Send an [email to us](#) by **3 September 2013** and attach your response

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If you have any questions, or would like any support to respond to the CPS, please [contact us](#).