

“Have Your Say Roadshow” on a Plan to End Homelessness



Together
we will end
homelessness

In our 50th year we are taking action to make sure we're not still needed 50 years from now. We're developing a plan to end homelessness which will be published in April 2018. But we can't do it alone, we need your help.

If you have lived experience of homelessness, work either on the front line, or in homelessness policy and related fields like housing, criminal justice, education, welfare or health, we want to hear from you. Between now and the end of the year, we will be looking for solutions to present to Government, and we need you to tell us how you think homelessness can be ended across Britain. Get involved, and have your say now.

The plan will focus on those groups in most immediate need of support, specifically those who are sleeping rough; sofa surfing; in emergency shelters and women's refuges; in hostels; tents, squats; unsuitable non-residential buildings; or unsuitable temporary accommodation.

The Have Your Say Roadshow

To generate ideas and solutions to include in the plan, we will run a Have Your Say Roadshow. This will be a series of workshops across England, Scotland and Wales running from July to December. Alongside this, we will build political awareness and support in each nation, and increase awareness amongst the public via our #Everybodyin campaign.

The Have Your Say Roadshow will seek solutions to achieve the following aims:

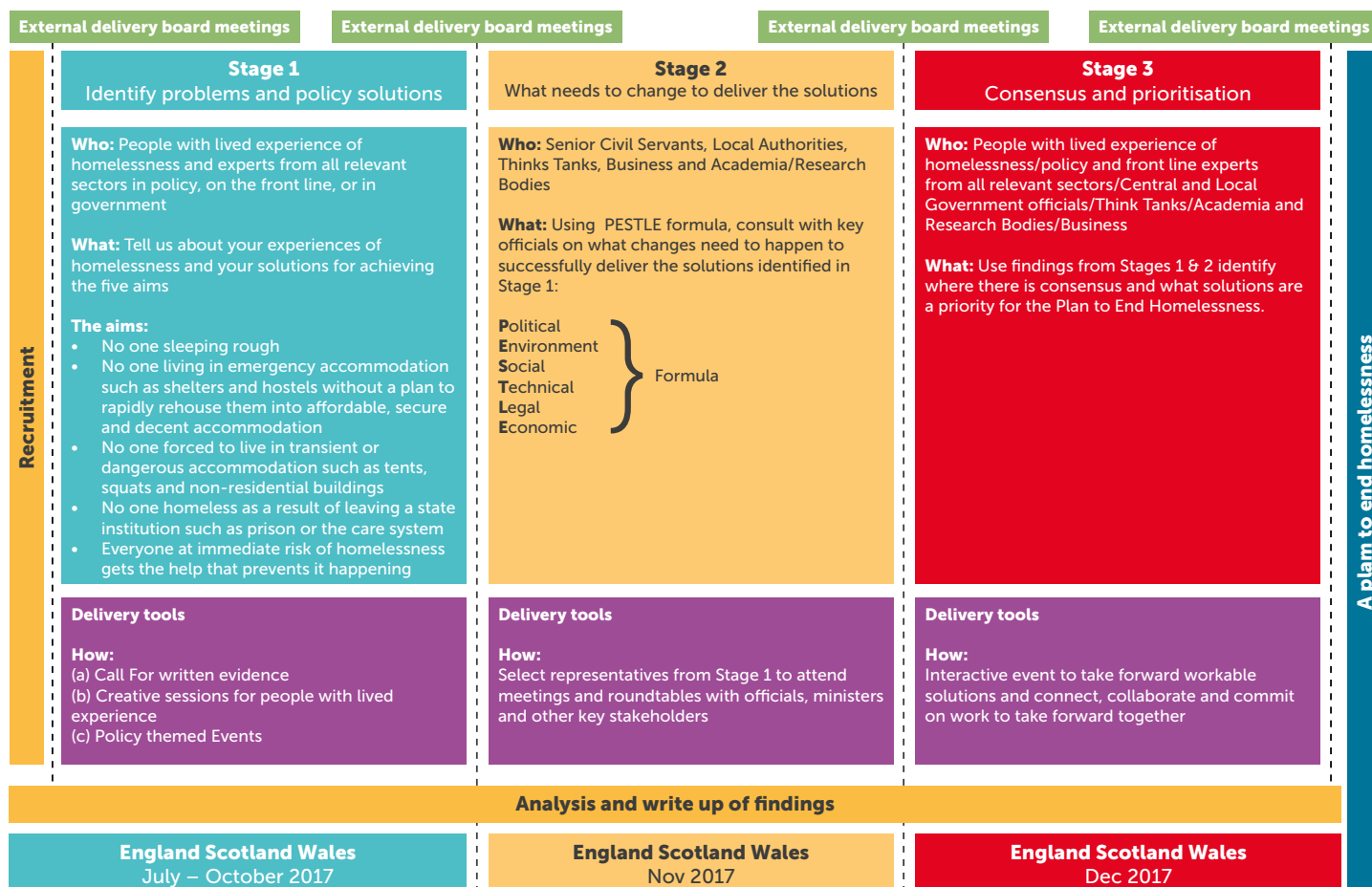
1. No one sleeping rough
2. No one living in emergency accommodation such as shelters and hostels without a plan to rapidly rehouse them into affordable, secure and decent accommodation
3. No one forced to live in transient or dangerous accommodation such as tents, squats and non-residential buildings
4. No one homeless as a result of leaving a state institution such as prison or the care system
5. Everyone at immediate risk of homelessness gets the help they need that prevents it happening

There are three stages to the Roadshow as illustrated by the consultation delivery model diagram below:

- (1) identifying problems and solutions,
- (2) implementing the solutions and
- (3) creating consensus and prioritisation.

For Stage 1, July – October, identifying problems and solutions there are a number of ways to contribute your ideas;

- a. Written Call for Evidence** – you can submit written evidence by downloading the evidence inquiry at <https://www.crisis.org.uk/ending-homelessness/policy-consultation/> and emailing written submissions to policy@crisis.org.uk by 18 October, 2017.
- b. People with lived experience of homelessness workshops** – we will be using a fun and creative consulting method to run a series of Human Centred Design workshops across England, Scotland and Wales. They will be for people with lived experience of homelessness, and are designed to enable participants to prioritise and develop creative solutions to the subject they want to focus on.
- c. Policy themed events** – a series of events focused at experts from frontline services or policy and research backgrounds of a particular subject area e.g. health, employment, justice and welfare.
- d. Invite Crisis out to an event or meeting you already have in the diary** – we can come to you and run an event for your staff, service users or local sector organisations. This may be a local homelessness forum you are part of, or an internal team meeting.


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How to join the Have Your Say Roadshow

Register your interest for one or all of the options above at policy@crisis.org.uk.

You can also help us recruit more people to have their say by sharing this leaflet and asking them to sign up. For further information, contact Kashim.chowdhury@crisis.org.uk (Crisis Policy Project Manager)