

## CRITICAL FRIENDING

### FINAL EVALUATION FORM

1. For the Critical Friend – Do you feel that your skills and experience equipped you to provide the role of Critical Friend in the policy review to which you were assigned? Please explain if necessary.

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2. For the participating Department – Do you feel that the Critical Friend brought relevant skills and experience to the policy review? Please explain if necessary.

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3. How would you rate the initial meeting (between the Critical Friend and the participating Department)? Please give details below if necessary.

Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor

4. It was recommended that participants draft an informal written agreement to ensure that all parties are clear as to expectations from the outset. How useful did you find the drafting of a written agreement between the parties? Please tick appropriate box below. Please give details if necessary.

Very Useful	Useful	Fair	Not that Useful	Not at all Useful

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5. What nature and type of contact took place during the critical friend exercise? Please select the appropriate box(es).

Nature and type of contact	
One-to-one meetings	
One-off meeting	
Observe meetings/events	
Telephone contact	
Email contact	
Sharing of papers	
Other (please give details)	

6. Approximately how much time commitment has your participation in the scheme involved? Please select the appropriate box.

Time commitment	
Less than half a day per month	
Half to one day per month	
One to two days per month	
Three to four days per month	
Four to five days per month	
More than five days per month (please specify)	

7. How long did your involvement in the pilot scheme last?

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8. For the Critical Friend – Has involvement in the scheme led to any difficulties with line management regarding, for example, workload, use of resources, etc? If so, how has this been managed? Please provide details.

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9. Have any other difficulties arisen during the process? Please provide details.

10. Please give details of any benefits that resulted from your participation in the scheme?

11. Please give details of any drawbacks that resulted from your participation in the scheme?

12. How was the critical friend engagement brought to a close?

13. Would you recommend participation in the critical friend scheme to a critical friend nominee? Please give reasons.

14. Would you recommend participation in the critical friend scheme to a policy team considering engagement with a critical friend? Please give reasons.

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15. For the Critical Friend – Have there been any personal benefits from your participation in the scheme?

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16. For the Critical Friend – Following your participation in the scheme, would you feel sufficiently confident to pass on the benefit of your experience to future critical friend nominees?

Yes	No

17. What particular skills/experiences do you think are more suited to carrying out the role of critical friend?

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18. Do you think the role of critical friend is particularly suited to particular grades of staff?

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19. Any other comments.

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