

# Ideas submission form

# Logan community summit—Sentencing for child homicide offences

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## My reflections:

The group work/feedback sessions were fantastic and I really valued the opportunity to share my thoughts and opinions. However, it was not long enough. Please consider allowing a longer time for this process in future summits.

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### My ideas to improve current criminal justice system responses:

Child homicide needs to be treated differently to all other offences. The purpose of sentencing for other offences (whether or not against a person) must always be different to the purpose for sentencing for child homicide. When the CJS begins to put too much emphasis on the perpetrator, rather than the victim, the resulting sentence is less and less likely to align with community expectations of an adequate or appropriate sentence for child homicide.

#### Other comments/views:

I do not agree with terminology such as "transactions" or "discounts" when referring to child homicide and sentencing for child homicide offences. This terminology is a very clinical approach to a very emotive and sensitive topic and has the effect of reducing the seriousness of the topic and de-personalising it.

#### Thank you

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