Consultation on the Children (Abolition of Defence of Reasonable Punishment) (Wales) Bill

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About you
Individual

1 The Bill’s general principles

1.1 Do you support the principles of the Children (Abolition of Defence of Reasonable Punishment) (Wales) Bill?

— No

1.2 Please outline your reasons for your answer to question 1.1

(we would be grateful if you could keep your answer to around 1000 words)

There are laws in place to cover excessive force used on children already, enforce those instead on introducing new laws that are going to do nothing but make criminals out of good parents

1.3 Do you think there is a need for legislation to deliver what this Bill is trying to achieve?

(we would be grateful if you could keep your answer to around 1000 words)

No, the laws are already in place

2 The Bill’s implementation

2.1 Do you have any comments about any potential barriers to implementing the Bill?

If no, go to question 3.1

(we would be grateful if you could keep your answer to around 1000 words)

The fact that >80% of people in Wales do not want this legislation or think that it is necessary
2.2 Do you think the Bill takes account of these potential barriers?  
(we would be grateful if you could keep your answer to around 1000 words)

Not at all, Welsh politicians are ignoring the will of the people (remember that phrase) and carrying on with their own agenda as usual

3 Unintended consequences

3.1 Do you think there are any unintended consequences arising from the Bill? If no, go to question 4.1  
(we would be grateful if you could keep your answer to around 1000 words)

Good parents who feel the need to chastise their children will be criminalised

4 Financial implications

4.1 Do you have any comments on the financial implications of the Bill (as set out in Part 2 of the Explanatory Memorandum)? If no, go to question 5.1  
(we would be grateful if you could keep your answer to around 1000 words)

Being made a criminal will prevent some people from following their career path of choice

5 Other considerations

5.1 Do you have any other points you wish to raise about this Bill?  
(we would be grateful if you could keep your answer to around 1000 words)