

Ballot Paper 9 Pathways for submissions

For each statement below, please place an **X** mark in the box that represents your preferred answer, or leave blank if you do not wish to answer.

9.1 Referral of submissions to inform the development of the next National Drugs Strategy

| Referral of submissions to inform the development of the next National Drugs Strategy | Agree | Disagree | Don't Know |
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| <p>The Citizens' Assembly received almost 800 submissions, in both written and video format, from the general public and stakeholders. These submissions will be published on the Assembly's website once the work of the Assembly has concluded and its report has been finalised.</p> <p>The Assembly is of the view that it may be beneficial for the Department of Health to be provided with a compendium of these submissions, which it may wish to review in the context of preparing the next iteration of the National Drugs Strategy.</p> | | | |

9.2 Referral of certain submissions to appropriate authorities

| Referral of certain submissions to appropriate authorities | Agree | Disagree | Don't Know |
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| <p>The Citizens' Assembly received a number of submissions from members of the public and stakeholders regarding the potential therapeutic benefits of certain drugs, including cannabis for medicinal purposes, and psilocybin.</p> <p>These issues were deemed outside the scope of the Assembly's Terms of Reference, and as such the Assembly has neither deliberated on, or taken a position on, these matters.</p> <p>However, the Citizens' Assembly considers that it would be appropriate to provide the submissions received on these matters to the relevant Oireachtas Committee, and ask it to refer these submissions onward to the relevant authorities, including the Health Products Regulatory Authority, for consideration.</p> | | | |