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Addressing the Justice Gap in Sexual Violence Cases:

Context of 'The Meeting'

Celebrating a Century in Policing: The Past, The Present
The Future

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Victim Justice Interests	CJS	RJ
Validation: Validity of the offence	✓	? ✓
Vindication: Of the person - justified in claims	✓	✓
Accountability of Offender / Punishment	✓✓?	✓?
Voice	? ✓	✓
Participation	? ✓	✓
Answers to Questions	? ✓	✓
Reclaiming / Rebalancing Power	✓?	✓
Redress	✓?	✓?

Post Conviction	Following Investigation: On Direction DPP or Prelim Trial Hearing	Referral Pathway From Outside CJS
Ailbhe’s Case as depicted in ‘The Meeting’	Historic Cases / Intra-familial Cases / other suitable cases	Non-reported Historic Cases
Legally uncomplicated	More complex legally: - Broad facts acknowledged – evidential standard is not “beyond reasonable doubt” - Disposal of the case	More complex legally: - Relationship to CJS
Victim Initiated	On Direction of DPP– Or at Preliminary Trial Hearing	Victim Initiated
Voluntary Participation	With Consent of both Parties / Legal teams	Voluntary Participation
Procedural Safeguards / Confidentiality Safeguards / Skilled Facilitators	Procedural Safeguards / Confidentiality Safeguards /Skilled Facilitators	Procedural Safeguards / Confidentiality Safeguards /Skilled Facilitators
No reason for this service not to be provided immediately	Requires Policy Directive / Legislation strengthens the sustainability	Already happening in Voluntary sector– needs Statutory RJ Service