

Project Violet Requests for Change – R07

Short title	Expand Settlement Guidance to include marital status
Identifying number	R07
Request for action by	Ministries Team
Text of request	<p>Women Ministers can experience questions about their marital status, spouses, and children during the settlement process which suggest they are being evaluated as women rather than as Ministers.</p> <p>The request for change is:</p> <p>Expand the Meeting Prospective Ministers section of the Settlement Guidance to Churches to include guidance on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questions on marital status • Expectations of spouses • Questions about children • Make clear that it is inappropriate to ask evaluative questions about divorce if a Minister has accredited status
Relevant co-researcher reports	Marital Status and Ministry
Relevant Theological Reflections	Group 1
Location on Requests Map	Vocational pathway - Phase II and Phase III

Agreed at the Project Violet Co-researchers conference on 17 April 2024.