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Dear Mr Kenny, and Group and Party Leaders,

We are writing as members of the voluntary 'Justice for Magdalenes Research' group, to express our sincere appreciation for Dublin City Council's support of the survivors of Magdalene Laundries, and the Council's agreement to facilitate a meeting of the women in June and a consultation on how their experiences should be remembered and memorialised.

The 'Dublin Honours Magdalenes' event in June 2018 will fulfil two of the key [recommendations](#) of Mr Justice Quirke's [redress scheme](#): that Magdalene survivors would be supported to meet and get to know each other, and that they would be consulted on the issue of memorialisation (following which the government would pay for the establishment of a memorial).

We welcome the Lord Mayor's announcement last night that the women will be invited to the Mansion House on 5th and 6th June. The plans for the two-day event so far include a gala dinner for the women on 5th June at the Mansion House Round Room, and a facilitated consultation on the question of memorialisation on 6th June, also at the Mansion House Round Room.

We are attaching the [press release](#) that we issued this morning, calling on the government to assist us in making 'Dublin Honours Magdalenes' happen, particularly by inviting the women who applied to the Magdalene scheme on our behalf. We also hope that the government will help to fund the event, and we are calling on business leaders to provide benefit-in-kind support.

We look forward to keeping you updated as we develop our plans for 'Dublin Honours Magdalenes', and we do hope that you will be interested in being involved.

Best wishes,

Dr Maeve O'Rourke, Dr Katherine O'Donnell and Claire McGettrick
on behalf of Justice for Magdalenes Research

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