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Lawyers welcome rethink on compensation cuts

Campaigners have welcomed a decision by the Government to rethink its proposals to cut compensation payments for victims of crime.

Karl Tonks, president of the not-for-profit Association of Personal Injury Lawyers (APIL) said: "This decision will surely be of great relief to many victims of crime who have been injured through no fault of their own.

"It's only right that, as a modern society, we continue to support innocent victims properly and provide them with the redress they need to help them get back on their feet.

"Falling victim to crime can be a distressing experience and people can suffer real financial difficulties if they are unable to return to work while they are recovering.

"It is imperative, now, that the new team at the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) continues in this vein and listens to the needs of the innocent victim in all its reforms of civil justice."

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Notes to editors:

- APIL (Association of Personal Injury Lawyers) is a not-for-profit organisation whose members are dedicated to campaigning for improvements in the law to help people who are injured or become ill through no fault of their own.



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