

Professor Sally Holland
Children's Commissioner for Wales

4 December 2017

Dear Sally

I'm writing to thank you and Nia for attending the Committee's meeting on 22 November. Members found the session extremely informative and the evidence you provided will be fed into our inquiry.

At the meeting you agreed to provide the following additional information. We would be grateful to receive a note on these points by **Monday 18 December 2017**.

- The correspondence you have had with relevant Cabinet Secretaries regarding the extent of **partnership working** between the T4CYP and curriculum reform programmes, including a copy of the paper you presented to the T4CYPP and Donaldson advisory groups
- Your **response** to the Welsh Government's *Services Fit for the Future* White Paper.
- A summary of any casework information/case studies drawn to your office's attention on children and young people's difficulties in accessing **crisis care**. Your written evidence included the following statements:

"I continue to hear of young people presenting in crisis and their needs not being met sufficiently"

"...we reported the need for age appropriate 24 hour community based services to replace the use of police cells... there should be careful consideration afforded to the potential risk that a decline in the use of police cells could result in an increase in the use of adult mental health wards..."

The Committee would be grateful to receive more detail on these points.

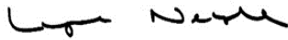
During the oral evidence session you also mentioned that you would be meeting this month with Welsh Government officials to discuss advocacy provision and with Cabinet Secretaries in January to discuss curriculum reform. **We would be grateful if you could keep us update on progress with these meetings.**



The Committee will continue to take oral evidence until the end of February. You can follow the progress of the inquiry on the Committee's [website](#). You will of course be sent a copy of the report once it is published in early spring.

If you would like to discuss the inquiry any further, please contact the Clerk, Llinos Madeley, on 0300 200 6352 or SeneddCYPE@assembly.wales.

Yours sincerely



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Chair

