

Education Children and Young People Committee

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Dear Joe

Disabled Children and Young People (Transitions to Adulthood) (Scotland) Bill

As you may be aware, the Education, Children and Young People Committee is currently scrutinising the <u>Disabled Children and Young People (Transitions to Adulthood) (Scotland) Bill.</u>

The Bill was introduced by Pam Duncan-Glancy MSP in April 2022 and aims to improve opportunities for disabled children and young people as they grow up, by requiring:

- the Scottish Government to have a strategy explaining how they are going to improve opportunities for disabled children and young people;
- a Scottish Government minister to be in charge of improving opportunities for disabled children and young people moving into adulthood; and
- local authorities to have plans for each disabled child and young person as they move into adulthood

As the Bill touches on a range of policy areas, I am aware that your Committee may currently be carrying out (or planning) work that is relevant to this Bill.

The Committee would very much welcome:

 information about any work your Committee has undertaken, or plans to undertake in the next three months, that is relevant to this Bill; and your Committee's views on whether it wishes to be involved in, or updated on, the scrutiny of the Disabled Children and Young People (Transitions to Adulthood) (Scotland) Bill

The Committee has recently launched a <u>Call for Views</u> alongside a <u>shorter survey</u> which focuses on the current support available to disabled children and young people as they transition into adulthood. This will run until 27 October and we plan to begin oral evidence sessions in January 2023.

I would be grateful for a response by 4 November.

Yours sincerely

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