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29 June 2010

Thank you for your letter dated 21 June about the petition raised by Speak Out Gwent and Merthyr Tydfil's LGB Group.

I agree that there is a need to ensure that we provide sexual health information to young people in an accessible manner. I will shortly be launching the Sexual Health and Wellbeing Action Plan for Wales, one of the actions of which will be for the All Wales Sexual Health Network, in collaboration with stakeholder groups, to review sexual health information available in Wales. The Network will be asked to make recommendations on the most appropriate format for disseminating information, including web-based formats as mentioned in the petition.

I would welcome the involvement of Speak Out Gwent and Merthyr Tydfil's LGB Group in this review. I will ask the All Wales Sexual Health Network to make contact with these groups and to invite them to take part in the review which is due to commence later in the year.

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30 July 2010

Dear Dr .

Thank you for your letter of 12 July on behalf of the Petitions Committee addressed to the Minister for Children, Skills and Lifelong Learning, about the petition raised by Speak Out Gwent and Merthyr Tydfil's LGB Group. Your letter has been passed to me for reply given that the issues raised fall within my portfolio.

I wrote to you regarding this petition on 29 June under cover of your reference p-03-291, and mine of EH/02056/10.

Your latest letter states that "*Further information has been provided by the petitioner*". However, the enclosed attachment – SUPPORTING INFORMATION (PROVIDED BY THE PETITIONER) - is the same information as I received with your letter in June.

I have enclosed a copy of that reply for ease of reference.

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4 August 2010

*Dear Chr -*

Thank you for your letter of 26 July on behalf of the Petitions Committee, asking about the groups participating in the sexual health information review being taken forward by the all Wales Sexual Health Network.

I am still considering the Sexual Health and Wellbeing Action Plan for Wales which will be published later this summer. Following publication a number of groups will be invited to take part in the review of sexual health information available.

*[Signature]*

Response from the Minister for Health and Social Services

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20 October 2010

Dear Christine

Thank you for your letter of 5 October on behalf of the Petitions Committee asking for an update on the Sexual Health and Wellbeing Action Plan for Wales, and seeking confirmation of the LGB Groups invited to take part in the review.

I will be launching the Sexual Health Action Plan in the first week of November after Recess.

The All Wales Sexual Health Network is tasked with taking forward the review of sexual health information by September 2011. Invitations will be made to LGB Groups to take part in the review in due course. I have asked my officials to pass on the details of Speak Out Gwent and Merthyr Tydfil LGB group to the network.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Edwina Hart', written in a cursive style.

Ministerial response

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December 2010

Dear Chris

Thank you for your letter of 22 November asking for an update on our Sexual Health And Wellbeing Action Plan For Wales, 2010-2015.

I am pleased to say that I launched the Action Plan on 8 November with the aim of improving sexual health services, and reducing teenage pregnancies and sexually transmitted infections (STIs) in Wales. The Action Plan sets out clear actions to help Local Health Boards, health, social care and wellbeing partnerships and children and young people partnerships to work together with young people and their families.

I am enclosing a copy of the Plan which is also available on-line at <http://wales.gov.uk/topics/health/improvement/index/sexualhealth/?lang=en>. Actions to promote sexual health are a theme throughout the Plan but I would particularly draw the Committee's attention to *Action Area 1: Developing A Culture To Support Sexual Health And Wellbeing* and *Action Area 2: Better Prevention through Sex and Relationship Education (SRE)*.

As well as providing funding in the important areas of tackling high teenage pregnancy rates, providing integrated sexual health services and working with people living with HIV, the Plan sets out our goals to help parents discuss sexual health with their children and encourage a culture of open, healthy communication.

Previously you asked about the review of sexual health information to be undertaken by the All Wales Sexual Health Network. This review is about to begin and Speak Out Gwent and Merthyr LGB Group will be invited to take part.

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