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Children, Young People and Education Committee

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Dear Jeremy,

I note the recent publication of the <u>statutory guidance</u> for local authorities on elective home education and that there is an oral statement scheduled for 6 June.

In my capacity as Committee Chair, I have received correspondence from people across Wales regarding issues around elective home education, and would therefore like to seek a further update on the two sets of draft Regulations which were <u>consulted on in 2020</u>:

- Children Act 2004 Database (Wales) Regulations
- Education (Information about Children in Independent Schools) (Wales) Regulations

The written statement on 12 May which accompanied the statutory guidance said that work on the database was "progressing" but it would be helpful if we could have greater clarity on the exact timescales for this. In <u>previous correspondence to us in May 2022</u>, you outlined the intention to make the regulations in September 2022, in time for implementation for April 2023.



I also note that the written statement said that the handbook for home educators would be published "soon". Can you give an indication of when this likely to be?

I appreciate you may be planning to give further details as part of the statement on 6 June, but if you could provide some details ahead of this statement, I would greatly appreciate it.

Yours sincerely,

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Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

