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Jane Hutt MS Minister for Social Justice

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Dear Jane

Equality and Social Justice Committee report: Women's experiences in the criminal justice system

Thank you for your response to our report on women's experiences in the criminal justice system, which we noted at our meeting on <u>24 April 2023</u>.

Our consideration of your response raised several questions, which are set out below.

Recommendation 11: Your response states that HMPPS will be taking forward recommendations from the recent Pre-Sentencing Report pilot. Please could you provide further information on the outcome of that pilot.

Recommendation 12: We note that the Welsh Government will work with HMPSS to ensure that information about how to contact elected Members in Wales is available to women from Wales. Please could you provide further details about how and what information will be made available to prisoners.

Recommendation 15: Please could you provide additional information on the Rehab Cymru Framework. Could you also clarify who is responsible for funding of detoxification treatment for women from Wales in prison in England.

A debate is scheduled for 24 May, therefore we would welcome a response in advance of that date if possible. With thanks for your continued engagement with us on this issue.

Yours sincerely,

Jenny Rathbone MS

Chair, Equality and Social Justice Committee

