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Children, Young People and Education Committee

Jane Hutt MS Minister for Social Justice

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Deputy Minister for Social Services

11 October 2022

Evaluation of the basic income pilot for care leavers

Dear Jane and Julie.

We have recently launched our inquiry into care-experienced children. The inquiry will focus on headline priorities for reform of the care system: where change would make the biggest difference to the lives of children and young people.

We recognise that the basic income pilot for care leavers is ongoing and that it is too early to scrutinise its impact.

However, we would appreciate some information at this early stage about how the pilot will be evaluated. I would be grateful if you could you update us on:

- Your work gathering baseline data, which will be used to establish how the pilot has impacted on the lives of the young care leavers. We would appreciate information about the individuals/organisations alongside whom you will be carrying out this work, and the progress of that work to date.
- The procurement of the two separate but integrated pieces of work relating to the evaluation of the pilot: the combined process and impact evaluation, and the in-depth qualitative ethnography study.

Please could you provide us with this information no later than Friday 25 November?

We would also be grateful for 6 monthly general updates thereafter on the implementation of the pilot and any early signs of its impact. Specifically, we would welcome any ongoing feedback you receive from the care leavers themselves, wider

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stakeholders, and - of course - your views and the views of Welsh Government officials and partner organisations administering the pilot.

Yours sincerely,

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Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

