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Inquiry into Children and Young People on the Margins

Dear Dafydd,

As you may know, we are currently gathering evidence as part of our inquiry 'children and young people on the margins'. The inquiry is focusing on missing children and criminalised children and young people. More detail about our inquiry, including its terms of reference, can be found on [our web pages](#).

The written consultation window for this inquiry closed on 23 January 2024. We are now in the process of gathering informal evidence from stakeholders via a series of stakeholder events and engagement visits. However, due to pressures to our forward work programme, we have decided to seek targeted written evidence from key stakeholders rather than holding formal oral evidence sessions. We will then hold a joint scrutiny session with the Cabinet Secretary for Culture and Social Justice and the Minister for Social Services on 19 September 2024.

We are therefore seeking your views on any aspect of the inquiry to bolster our written evidence. In addition to the comments that you provided in your written consultation response, we would appreciate your views on the following specific points:

- **Strategic Direction:** How have you incorporated the issue of child criminal exploitation into your strategic direction for the Welsh police forces? What specific objectives have you set to address this issue?
- **Resource Allocation:** How are resources allocated to tackle child criminal exploitation? Are there any specific funding or resources that have been particularly helpful in supporting the work of frontline officers and investigative teams?

I would be grateful for your response no later than Friday 23 August 2024 so that we can take account of your views in advance of our scrutiny session with the Welsh Government.

Yours sincerely,



Buffy Williams MS
Chair

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.