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Dear Jenny,

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Thank you for your letter of the 14 November.

The Autumn Budget 2024 presented by the Chancellor on 30 October set the budget for the Ministry of Justice for the next financial year. Our focus is now on how it will be allocated across the breadth of the department's responsibilities. This includes early intervention support for children on the cusp of the justice system.

I appreciate your concerns around the continued uncertainty, and I am pleased to be able to tell you we will be providing funding for early intervention work with children on the cusp of the justice system across England and Wales for the financial year 2025/26.

The amount of funding the MoJ is able to provide is not yet certain and is subject to decisions yet to be taken about how the departmental settlement for 2025/26 will be allocated. We will update you further on this as soon as possible.

Thank you for your understanding and ongoing support as we continue to work toward a resolution.

SIR NIC DAKIN MP