

30th July 2013

Mr William Powell AC / AM Chair of the Petitions Committee National Assembly for Wales Cardiff Bay Cardiff CF99 1NA

Dear Mr Powell

P-04-481 – Petition from NDCS

Thank you for your correspondence of 10th July 2013 seeking views on the petition as referenced above.

Governors Wales believes that every child in every school has the right to an education to meet their needs, in order for them to reach their full potential and they should not face any barriers to learning.

The then-Minister of Education and Skills' response outlines the position to date in relation to the areas raised in the petition.

Although Local Authorities have responsibility to ensure that suitable educational provision is provided, the role of individual schools and partnership working with the relevant shareholders is crucial, as well as awareness raising and improved accessibility. Governors Wales would be happy to place any relevant information on our website: www.governorswales.org.uk to assist Governors and schools etc. In conjunction with Local Authorities and regional consortia, we organise several regional conferences for governors across Wales and would be willing to display any relevant material on this area, as well as invite the delivery of presentations on SEN (ALN).

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries concerning the above.

Yours sincerely

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