

Review of the Children's Commissioner for Wales

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Dear Mr Millar,

Thank you for your letter of 23 October. I am aware of the recent Public Accounts Committee scrutiny of the Children's Commissioner for Wales' accounts, and have had an opportunity to review the transcripts. I very much welcome the recent exercise and, indeed, the proposal that such sessions with Wales' commissioners should take place on an annual basis.

As part of the review process, I was asked to consider the remit and impact of the Children's Commissioner for Wales and, in so doing; I have considered the current structure of the Commissioner's office. I hope that the observations and recommendations I make in my final report (due to be with the Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty in December) will be of interest to the PAC.

Thank you also for bringing to my attention some broad context about the relationships between the Welsh Government and commissioners. The issue of appropriate financial (and other) relationships between the parties is an important element of the work of the review.

Yours sincerely,



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