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Dear Ann

Inquiry into poverty in Wales

The Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee is currently undertaking an inquiry into poverty in Wales. The inquiry has been divided into four strands, each one focussing on one particular issue within the subject of poverty. Each strand is self-contained, with its own terms of reference, but together will form an overarching piece of work.

The four strands are:

- Strand 1: poverty and inequality
- Strand 2: the impact of welfare reform on poverty in Wales
- Strand 3: in-work poverty
- Strand 4: community-based approaches to tackling poverty

We have received written evidence on Strand 1 of the inquiry, which can be viewed using the following link:

<http://www.senedd.assembly.wales/mgConsultationDisplay.aspx?ID=138>

We are in the process of hearing oral evidence on Strand 1, and this is likely to conclude in the early part of next year, with our report following in due course.

In preparation for the next phase of our inquiry, we have issued a call for written evidence on Strand 4. This will close on 30 January 2015.

I wanted to bring your attention to the Committee's work on this subject, as issues relevant to the work of the Children, Young People and Education

Committee, including your inquiry into educational outcomes for children from low income households, may be raised during our evidence-gathering. If there are any points that you would like to make the Committee aware of in relation to our inquiry, they would be gratefully received; we will inform you of any outcomes that may arise from these points.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christine Chapman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'C'.

Christine Chapman AC / AM
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