

P-04-646 Petition against Welsh Draft Non-statutory Guidance for Local Authorities on Elective Home Education.

Petition wording:

In May 2014 the Welsh Assembly Government Minister for Education announced that new non-statutory guidelines would be drawn up for Elective Home Education, following consultation with home educating families.

Draft guidelines have been published for consultation which do not reflect the previously strongly stated views of those home educating families.

We believe that these draft guidelines are poorly written, misleading and likely to lead to further breakdown in relationships between home educating families and Local Authorities. We call upon the Welsh Assembly Government to retract the draft guidelines as not being fit for purpose.

Instead local authorities should work towards demonstrating their knowledge of the existing law on home education, and adhere to the existing, clearly defined guidelines.

Petition raised by: Lucy Bear

Date petition first considered by Committee: 14 July 2015

Number of signatures: 2,140 Online signatures