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Chair, Culture, Welsh Language and Communications Committee  
National Assembly for Wales  
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Dear Bethan

**Petition P-05-799 Change the National Curriculum and teach Welsh history, from a Welsh perspective, in our Primary, Secondary and Sixth form Schools**

The Petitions Committee has been considering the above petition since February 2018.

We considered the petition most recently at our meeting on 13 November when we discussed recent correspondence from the Cabinet Secretary for Education, as well as the recent announcement that the Culture, Welsh Language and Communications Committee intends to conduct an inquiry into the 'Teaching of Welsh history, culture and heritage' in the near future.

In light of this, Members agreed that I should write to you to provide the evidence gathered on the petition to date so that it can inform this work. A brief outline of this follows:

- Correspondence received from the petitioner, Dr Elin Jones and the Welsh Government is available here:  
<http://senedd.assembly.wales/ielssueDetails.aspx?Ild=20931&Opt=3>
- An evidence session was held with the petitioner, Elfed Wyn Jones, and Dr Elin Jones on 15 May 2018:  
<http://record.assembly.wales/Meeting/4756#A43429>
- An evidence session with the Cabinet Secretary for Education on 17 July 2018: <http://record.assembly.wales/Meeting/4760#A44426>

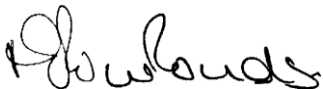


- Most recently, the Committee requested and received a list of the schools who are working on the development of the Humanities Area of Learning and Experience (AoLE):  
<http://senedd.assembly.wales/documents/s80511/24.10.18%20Correspondence%20-%20Cabinet%20Secretary%20for%20Education%20to%20the%20Chair%20Annexe.pdf>

I hope this information is helpful to you in progressing your inquiry. In anticipation of the detailed scrutiny that your Committee intends to give to this issue, Members have also agreed to close the petition at this stage.

If you would like further information on any aspect of the work undertaken by the Petitions Committee, please feel free to contact me or the clerking team.

Yours sincerely



David J Rowlands AM  
Chair

