BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE (SCOTLAND) BILL:  
FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM SUBMISSION  
FROM WEST LOTHIAN COLLEGE

Consultation
Did you take part in any consultation exercise preceding the Bill and, if so, did you comment on the financial assumptions made?
1. Yes, but only to the extent that the College would need financial support.

If applicable, do you believe your comments on the financial assumptions have been accurately reflected in the FM?
2. No the necessity for financial support is not fully explained.

Did you have sufficient time to contribute to the consultation exercise?
3. Yes

Costs
If the Bill has any financial implications for your organisation, do you believe that they have been accurately reflected in the FM? If not, please provide details.
4. It has financial implications, not able to provide more accurate information.

Do you consider that the estimated costs and savings set out in the FM are reasonable and accurate?
5. Not able to say at this stage.

If applicable, are you content that your organisation can meet any financial costs that it might incur as a result of the Bill? If not, how do you think these costs should be met?
6. No the College cannot meet these costs – financial support would be required from the Scottish Government.

Does the FM accurately reflect the margins of uncertainty associated with the Bill’s estimated costs and with the timescales over which they would be expected to arise?
7. Yes.

Wider Issues
Do you believe that the FM reasonably captures any costs associated with the Bill? If not, which other costs might be incurred and by whom?
8. Not able to say at this stage.

Do you believe that there may be future costs associated with the Bill, for example through subordinate legislation? If so, is it possible to quantify these costs?
9. Possibly this will only come to light once drafting of the plan is underway.