F/National Day Nurseries Association
Children and Young People (Information Sharing) (Scotland) Bill

Consultation

1. Did you take part in any consultation exercise preceding the Bill and, if so, did you comment on the financial assumptions made?
   No

2. If applicable, do you believe your comments on the financial assumptions have been accurately reflected in the FM?
   N/A

3. Did you have sufficient time to contribute to the consultation exercise?
   N/A

Costs

4. 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.
   As the FM states “Guidance and training materials will be prepared to support bodies in implementing the provisions of the 2014 Act that are amended by the Bill.”
   It goes on to state “It is not anticipated that this Bill will result in any additional costs to other bodies, individuals or businesses beyond those identified”.
   Greater consideration could have been given to the private and third sectors, particularly in relation to the Day Care of Children.
   However, so long as this guidance and training is disseminated to all relevant parties, including the private and third sectors, the new materials should be easily absorbed into current Child Protection training, ensuring the financial impact is minimal. NDNA are keen to support awareness raising and dissemination of guidance etc to childcare providers.

5. Do you consider that the estimated costs and savings set out in the FM are reasonable and accurate?
   Yes.
6. 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?  
As providers of training to the private nursery sector in Scotland, our Child Protection training requires to be regularly updated to ensure the information is relevant and appropriate. Provided we can easily access the new guidance, training and codes of practice the financial impact should be minimal.

7. 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?  
Yes.

Wider Issues

8. 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?  
Yes.

9. 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?  
No. If the features of the Bill are seamlessly incorporated into future training, the costs should be minimal.