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Dear Cabinet Secretary,

National Care Service (Scotland) Bill

At its meeting on 22 June, the Education, Children and Young People Committee agreed to request to be designated as a secondary committee on the National Care Service (Scotland) Bill.

During its discussion at that meeting, the Committee agreed to write to you to request more information about the work that the Scottish Government will undertake before any transfer of children's services into the National Care Service takes place.

The Committee is keen to understand—

- more detail about work to gather evidence on, and assess, current models of children's services. For instance, does the Scottish Government intend to commission an independent review of children's services, similar in approach to the Feeley Review which examined adult social care?
- the scale of the Scottish Government's consultation on resulting work; and
- the timescales for each part of this work.

The Committee would be grateful for a response, in a Word format, by **Thursday 11 August**.

I am copying this letter to the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills and the Convener of the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee, for their information.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sue Webber', with a stylized flourish at the end.

**Sue Webber MSP
Convener**