

Social Justice and Social Security Committee

Colm Gildernew MLA Chairperson Committee for Communities Northern Ireland Assembly

7 April 2025

Dear Mr Gildernew,

Proposed UK Welfare Reforms – Potential Joint Devolved Committee Response

On behalf of the Social Justice and Social Security Committee, I would like to thank you for getting in touch with Members of the Committee regarding a possible joint response to the proposed UK welfare reforms.

Committee Members discussed the proposal at the meeting of 3 April. It was agreed that the Committee would schedule a roundtable evidence session with relevant stakeholders to seek their views on the impact of the UK Government's welfare reforms in Scotland. The evidence session is scheduled for the morning of Thursday, 15 May.

We will consider the evidence heard and come to a view on how best to proceed.

I will be back in touch following the roundtable evidence session with an update on the views of Committee members.

In the meantime, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

Collette Stevenson MSP

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Convener

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