LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

CALL FOR VIEWS ON THE NON-DOMESTIC RATES (SCOTLAND) BILL

SUBMISSION FROM ANONYMOUS

My daughters will lose the opportunities they have or might have in the future if the charitable aspect of independent schools are removed.

I am a single mum, who had struggled to get a job that can afford the fees, thus struggling financially to cover their independent education.

My daughters IQ are above average with keen musical abilities. Being a part of an independent school is not just about my inability to pay for the privilege, but the opportunities provided to them to achieve and excel.

I would therefore plead for the seek of children like my daughters and parents like myself who cannot readily afford the fees of the independent schools but have the opportunities based on their abilities. Our children needs these schools to keep these opportunities opened for the future.

Please do you remove the charitable status, thereby our children will lose these opportunities. Their futures lies within this status

We are already feeling the impacts of these measures, for instance my daughter got three admissions from three independent schools, but was not able to obtain any mean tested bursary based on these current changes.