

Pippa Cotterill  
RCSLT Cymru Wales  
Transport House  
Cardiff CF11 9SD

21 July 2021

Dear Ms Cotterill

## WORK PROGRAMME

Thank you for your letter of 5 July 2021 on behalf of the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists raising the possibility of a short inquiry into the speech, language and communication needs of young people in the youth justice estate.

We considered your letter at our meeting on 12 July and agreed to consider proposals for future work as part of our strategic planning in the autumn term.

Since that meeting, the Business Committee has written to us indicating where the responsibility for justice should sit within the Senedd Committee structure. It has advised that high-level justice policy matters, such as the devolution of justice and policing, and any matters which relate to law-making, fall within our remit. Other matters relating to the practical application of justice should be open to scrutiny by other Senedd Committees, including the wider policy interactions with the justice system and policing that currently exist.

We will consider the Business Committee's correspondence in early September as we shape our work programme for the first year. However, we do expect the programme to be heavily focused on legislative scrutiny in light of the Welsh Government's recent legislative programme announcement.

I will write again in the autumn once we have finalised our programme for the next year.

Yours sincerely,

*Huw Irranca-Davies*

Huw Irranca-Davies

Chair

