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Dear Lynne,

Thank you for the Children, Young People and Education Committee's report on the Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Bill.

I am grateful to the Committee for the comprehensive and inclusive approach it has taken to its Stage 1 consideration of the Bill.

There is clearly a great deal to consider in the Committee's report, which I hope we can use to strengthen the Bill and Transformation Programme. What is encouraging, and came across clearly from the evidence presented to the Committee, is that the fundamentals of the system outlined in the Bill are just about right. I look forward to continuing to work with the Committee to ensure the system we prescribe delivers the improvements in the expectations, experiences and outcomes of children and young people with additional learning needs that we are striving for.

Once I have considered the report in detail, I will write to you again outlining my response to each of its recommendations.

Yours sincerely

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