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APPENDIX B

J has highly complex needs. He lives in London and is aged 21. He has already received 5 years post 16 provision. He still receives highly specialist support because a tribunal determined so. J has been given another year. It is fortunate that J lives in England.

D has complex difficulties and has been at a Specialist College in Southern England. D has achieved his aspirations and is now doing things that he never thought possible at school. He excells in music and his life skills have developed such that he is no longer dependent on the state to support him. He can work and thereby gain employment. D has been at the college for three years. He is given a fourth. D lives in England.

S has been in post 16 specialist college for the past 4 years. She is now finishing her first mainstream year. Her mother states "without this specialist none of this would have been possible". S lives in England.

T aspires to work in performing arts. It was the professional opinion of the team of experts contributing to his annual review that he needs access to highly specialist and bespoke provision. He is able to get direct therapy which was not available at school. T is thriving. T lives in England.

B lives in Wales. He had been in specialist college for a duration of time permitted by the Welsh Government. B applied to extend his time at the college. B was refused.