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Dear Dr Dallimore,

Early Childhood Education and Care

I write to thank you for your contribution to our ongoing work on Early Childhood Education and Care (ECEC). We were particularly grateful to you for the papers you have written as part of your Academic Fellowship with the Assembly's Research Service, and for the presentation you gave us last month. Both the papers and the briefing have provided a rich source of information for our scrutiny of this important policy area, including our session with the Deputy Minister for Health and Social Services, Julie Morgan AM, on 2 October 2019.

Further to the Committee's session with the Deputy Minister, we wrote to request a clearer statement of the Welsh Government's overarching vision for ECEC. Our aim in asking for this was to enable us to measure progress against the Welsh Government's vision, and to create a clearer framework within which we can hold the Welsh Government to account for its policy, legislation and expenditure in this area.

The Deputy Minister provided a response to our letter earlier this month. Following our own consideration of this letter, Members were keen to invite you to share any comments you may have on it.

Yours sincerely,



Lynne Neagle AM
Chair

