

Families First in Education Wales

7 March 2023

Dear Sir / Madam

Thank you for your letter of 21 February 2023, which we noted at our meeting on 27 February 2023.

You enquired about whether the matters raised in your letter come within the remit of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee.

In accordance with the Senedd's Standing Orders, we are able to consider any subordinate legislation that is laid before the Senedd, including any such legislation relating to home schooling.

We will consider and report on statutory instruments (such as regulations) in accordance with the grounds set out in Standing Orders 21.2 and 21.3.

In addition, we may also consider and report on certain other matters under Standing Order 21.7.

Our approach and scrutiny will therefore be guided by the requirements of these Standing Orders. I should add that the purpose of our scrutiny and the reports we produce is to provide information to assist Members in deciding whether or not to support the making of subordinate legislation in line with the relevant procedure (as set out in the enabling Act). Information about the different types of procedures is available on our subordinate legislation webpages.

Your letter also refers to statutory guidance for elective home education. We are able to consider and report on such guidance if it falls within scope of our remit under the Standing Orders as set out above.

I am copying this letter to Jane Bryant MS, Chair of the Children, Young Persons and Education Committee.

Yours sincerely,

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Chair

