

East Renfrewshire

Sent: 30 January 2019 16:22

To: Nick Hobbs <nick.hobbs@cypcs.org.uk>

Subject: RE: Restraint and Seclusion investigation published

Good afternoon Nick

East Renfrewshire Council notes your report and where relevant will appropriately respond.

Kind regards

Janice

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From: Nick Hobbs [<mailto:nick.hobbs@cypcs.org.uk>]

Sent: 30 January 2019 17:14

Subject: RE: Restraint and Seclusion investigation published

Thank you Janice

We look forward to receiving your response by close of play on Friday 1 February.

Kind regards

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Sent: 31 January 2019 14:23

To: Nick Hobbs <nick.hobbs@cypcs.org.uk>

Subject: FW: Restraint and Seclusion investigation published

Dear Nick

Please accept the previous as our response. We have noted the report and will act on anything that is relevant to East Renfrewshire Council.

Kind regards

Janice

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From: Nick Hobbs [<mailto:nick.hobbs@cypcs.org.uk>]

Sent: 05 April 2019 14:31

Subject: FAO Director of Education - Restraint and Seclusion investigation

FAO Director of Education

Dear Sir/Madam

Our office published a report of our investigation into Restraint and Seclusion in Scotland's Schools on 14th December 2018. A number of recommendations in that report were directed at local authorities. The report included a 'requirement to respond'.

Specifically, in terms of sub-sections 11(2A) and 11(2B) of the Commissioner for Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2003, you are required to provide a statement in writing to the Commissioner setting out, either:

- what you have done or propose to do in response to the recommendations; or
- if you do not intend to do anything in response to the recommendations, the reasons for that

Although I am sure the recommendations have been discussed extensively within the authority and we have received a response from you, it does not make clear whether you accept all of the recommendations of the report or not. We do not wish to make assumptions and would like to ensure that positions are clear. For the avoidance of doubt therefore - please let us know by close of play on **Monday 15th April** if there are any recommendations relevant to your authority that you do not accept and why.

Please note that we will shortly be publishing in full all responses received from local authorities.

Kind regards

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From: Collins, Janice2 <Janice.Collins@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk>
Sent: 08 April 2019 12:23
To: Nick Hobbs <nick.hobbs@cypcs.org.uk>
Subject: FW: FAO Director of Education - Restraint and Seclusion investigation

Nick

Can I ask the status of the report?

Kind regards

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From: Nick Hobbs [<mailto:nick.hobbs@cypcs.org.uk>]
Sent: 08 April 2019 13:26
To: Collins, Janice2 <Janice.Collins@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: FAO Director of Education - Restraint and Seclusion investigation

Hi Janice

I'm not sure what you mean. The investigation was conducted using the Commissioner's "Section 7" legal powers. The report was published and laid in Parliament in December. Apologies if I've misunderstood your question.

Best wishes

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From: Collins, Janice2 <Janice.Collins@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk>

Sent: 08 April 2019 13:43

To: Nick Hobbs <nick.hobbs@cypcs.org.uk>

Subject: RE: FAO Director of Education - Restraint and Seclusion investigation

Hi Nick

We have taken the report very seriously and are actioning the sections that apply to us, I am not sure why specific detail is required. I therefore refer to the professional and political status of this report. My understanding is that the Scottish Government are not asking for this information. I may be wrong, happy for you to clarify.

Kind regards

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From: Nick Hobbs [<mailto:nick.hobbs@cypcs.org.uk>]

Sent: 08 April 2019 14:05

To: Collins, Janice2 <Janice.Collins@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: FAO Director of Education - Restraint and Seclusion investigation

Hi Janice

I don't know precisely what the Scottish Government is asking for – that's a separate process that they're undertaking with local authorities and Cosla. Our office is entirely independent of Government, as was the investigation.

As I noted, we are publishing all local authority responses to the report and wish to be clear if there are any recommendations that are not accepted. Can I assume from your response therefore that you accept all the recommendations that apply to East Renfrewshire?

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Hi Nick

Yes that would be helpful.

Kind regards

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