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Dear

## **Doncaster Council**

Thank you for your email of 27 July to Trevor Phillips who has asked me to reply on his behalf. I apologise for the length of time taken in order to provide you with a response.

We are aware that Doncaster Council has been placed under special measures due to failures both in terms of equalities issues as well as other areas which we cannot go into.

There has been continued dialogue at a regional level between the council and our Regional Manager in order to highlight and to work through some of the failings which you have highlighted in your letter.

We are currently considering the next best steps and due to the sensitivities involved are not in a position to communicate these to you at this time. Once we have taken a decision on the best course of action, we will endeavour to keep you informed. In order that we do not compromise any investigations we will be limited by virtue of the Equality Act, on what exactly we can share with you.

Yours sincerely

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