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To: [SOLEY, Lord](#)
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Dear Lord Soley

Thank you, I will contact Dave Harvey this morning. in the interim, I have attached Kent's Elective Home Education Policy, which goes some way towards addressing some of the situations where children & young People are not receiving an education. We do need to acknowledge in all this that Kent also have families who do an incredible job of educating their children, sadly the number of families who are not educating their children outnumber these.

Kind regards

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From: SOLEY, Lord [mailto:xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxx.xx]
Sent: 08 October 2017 14:17
To: Alford, Hilary - CY EPA
Subject: Re: Home Education (Duty of Local Authorities) Bill. Kent County Council response

You are not too late. You may want to speak to [xxxx.xxxxxx@xxxx.xxx.xx](#) who is talking to organisations about attending the meeting on the 17th.

Lord Soley

From: [xxxxxx.xxxxxx@xxxx.xxx.xx](#) <[xxxxxx.xxxxxx@xxxx.xxx.xx](#)>
Sent: 08 October 2017 11:29:00
To: SOLEY, Lord
Subject: Re: Home Education (Duty of Local Authorities) Bill. Kent County Council response

Dear Lord Soley

If it is still possible for Kent to attend we would very much like to be part of the discussions. I fear we may have missed the opportunity as we delayed our response to ensure we had a complete years data to present. Kent have a strong EHE policy which supports our officers in their role and goes as far as it can within the confines of current legislation to identify children who are not in receipt of an education. We would welcome change to the current guidance

I will forward a copy of our policy tomorrow it may be useful to you and other Local authorities have adopted similar policies since it was published in December 2015 I would be happy to discuss if the data we have provided prompts any questions

Kind regards
Hilary Alford

Sent from my iPhone

On 7 Oct 2017, at 18:59, SOLEY, Lord <xxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxx.xx> wrote:

These are very helpful reports - are you intending to come to the meeting on the 17th October at the House of Parliament?

Lord Soley

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From: xxxxxx@xxxx.xxx.xx <xxxxxx@xxxx.xxx.xx>

Sent: 06 October 2017 12:57:47

To: SOLEY, Lord

Subject: Home Education (Duty of Local Authorities) Bill. Kent County Council response

Dear Lord Soley

Kent County Council (KCC) have now collated a complete years data capture following the implementation of KCC EHE policy. Given the forthcoming second reading of the Home Education (Duty of Local Authorities) Bill, the findings from the attached reports may be of interest to your office

EHE - End of Year report

The report highlighting the trends of the 1203 new families who have registered with Kent to Electively Home Educate during the 2016-17 academic year. (Total EHE registrations in Kent as of 31 August 2017 – 1906). The findings have been extremely revealing and will be used to help our officers identify hotspots and patterns to identify where resources can be applied more effectively to assist families and liaise with schools.

Business intelligence report

I have attached this report for information, this providing a holistic picture of the circumstances of children & young people known to Kent. County Council who were registered with KCC between September 2015 to August 2016.

There will be an updated report due out in November and if this information is useful to you I can forward that across to you following the publication.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance or you have any questions with regard the content of the attached reports.

Yours sincerely

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