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Dear Sarah

On behalf of the Committee I would like to thank you for attending the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee on 13 March 2018 to provide an opening statement and answer questions on the **Corporate Performance report for Quarter Three and School Categorisation report**.

I would also like to thank Nick Batchelar and Jackie Turner for the presentation of the report, together with the answers to Members questions. Members welcomed the report and were particularly pleased with Cardiff Schools Categorisation improved results, which had been also commented on at a recent Central South Consortium Scrutiny Panel meeting.

The Members also wished you to pass on their appreciation to the Directorate and School Staff for their hard work in helping to improve the educational outcome of pupils in Cardiff.

The Members noted a number of areas which the Directorate had identified as requiring additional support, together with the actions that the Directorate to address the overspends in out of county placements and the Committee looks forward to further improvement in these areas in the future.

I hope that these comments mentioned above will be welcomed by the Directorate and be of use and support in improving outcomes for Cardiff's pupils, as such the Committee does not require a response to this letter.

Yours sincerely

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CC: Nick Batchelar, Director of Education and Lifelong learning
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