



Scotland's Commissioner
for Children & Young People

PE1319/XX

Mr David Stewart MSP
Convener of the Public Petitions Committee
The Scottish Parliament
Edinburgh
EH99 1SP

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Dear Convener,

Public Petition PE1319 on Improving Youth Football in Scotland - Reviewing the current registration process from a rights perspective and seeking the views of young people.

I am writing to inform you that I have had to revise the timescale I indicated in my scoping paper of August 2014. I had originally proposed commissioning work in September to be concluded by December 2014. A researcher was commissioned in October to undertake the research project with young people, and whilst they have commenced work it has taken longer than expected to get the necessary permissions to speak directly to young people. As a result, the work will not be concluded until January 2015. This means that I will not be able to provide the Committee with the report from the research project and the findings from the Child Rights Impact Assessment until early February 2015.

Please accept my apologies for the delay in reporting back to the Committee. If you wish to discuss this delay please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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