



The aim of this product is to support the planning of the next round of engagement RE 1140 questions.

If DAT Leads have anything new to add from any recent correspondence/calls they can just forward to me directly in an email (not comments in doc please) for incorporation.

Cheers

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 12 June 2020 15:58

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: GCC decision to exclude Partnership Nurseries from 1140 hour Scheme

Hey, how are you? How was your break?

I know you will be super busy on your return from leave but wondered if you had any chatter in your calls about Glasgow's approach on 1140? I've got 2 micases that outline some concerns over 1140 offer.

[Redacted]

Thanks

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 09 June 2020 20:32

**To:** Swinney J (John), MSP <[John.Swinney.msp@parliament.scot](mailto:John.Swinney.msp@parliament.scot)>; Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills <[DFMCSE@gov.scot](mailto:DFMCSE@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** Re: GCC decision to exclude Partnership Nurseries from 1140 hour Scheme

Dear John Swinney,

	<p>I have just been informed by my sons nursery that Glasgow City Council has decided to renege on its promise to offer 1140 hours of childcare to children in Partnership Nurseries.</p> <p>Glasgow City Council have already received funding for the next 3 years in order to allow ALL children to access 1140 hours of free childcare. They are wilfully discriminating against children who attend private nurseries by allowing only children who attend GCC nurseries to access this funding.</p> <p>It is wholly inappropriate that this scheme is being utilised in this way in order to bolster GCC nurseries whilst abandoning Partnership nurseries and the children who attend these settings.</p> <p>I understand that the current pandemic may have caused infrastructure and timing issues, but it can't be used as an excuse to create a two-tiered system. Particularly when many private nurseries (and parents whose children attend them) have put things in place for August. Telling people at the start of June that they will no longer be eligible for the increased hours in August is unfair. Many parents are already struggling to put measures in place to return to work under the current circumstances, and this places further undue stress on them both financially and emotionally.</p> <p>Many other councils have chosen to continue with their plan to offer the 1140 hours to everyone, as the scheme was intended. Clearly the pandemic has not impacted on their ability to offer inclusive childcare. Why have Glasgow City Council made this decision to exclude many children purely on the basis of where they attend nursery? This decision is going to have a hugely negative impact on many parents and their children, who for numerous reasons, are not able to attend GCC nurseries and are now at a distinct disadvantage.</p> <p>The funding should follow the child, it should not be based on which setting they attend, and the money that was given to the council should be available to ALL children.</p> <p>I urge you to discuss with GCC and await your response.</p> <p>Regards, [Redacted]</p>
A4	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 30 June 2020 18:05 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> [Redacted] &lt;[Redacted]&gt; <b>Subject:</b> RE: 1140 - planning parental comms</p> <p>Hi [Redacted],</p> <p>Totally understand its tricky with a lot of this unknown, Through the JDB joint communication we will confirm that 1140 will not be back in place before the end of the 20/21 academic year or if PHS guidance still in place, if later. This is the only dates we can be certain of at the moment. We will tell LAs that we will give them 6 months' notice before bringing back the 1140 stat duty. I think you can base your</p>

proposal on August 2021 and caveat this with possibility of another spike this winter and PHS guidance still being in place next August. I suspect there are a lot of policies in the same position and Marketing have contingencies.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 30 June 2020 17:36  
**To:** [Redacted; [Redacted]]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** 1140 - planning parental comms

Hiya,

I'm sorry for bothering you with this right now, as I know there's a lot of urgent work going on. But the timing for the parental awareness ELC marketing campaign means that we'll have to make some decisions very soon.

[Redacted], as discussed on the comms phone call, it's quite a tricky one to figure out.

If it is agreed that August 2021 is the new date for 1140, then parents will need to apply for their child's place between December 2020 and March/April 2021, depending on the local authority. Normally, that would mean we'd be starting to work on the campaign right now. Last year we started planning in May/June (I think) then launched it in January.

Do we have any information about the likelihood/expectation that it will be August 2021, or what will help to inform that decision? So that we can think about how/when we make the marketing decisions?

I'm arranging a discussion with marketing folk to find out what sort of flexibilities we could put in place but it might be that we'll just have to make a call quite soon about how much of a campaign we want. I'll come back to you before any decisions are made, but any information you have that I could share with marketing just now would be extremely helpful.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

A5

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 16 June 2020 12:57  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: CCELC and JBD agenda's

Cheers, papers not going out until tomorrow

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 16 June 2020 12:16

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: CCELC and JBD agenda's

Hi [Redacted]

We're fine to share the CERG paper with CCELC but need to wait for DFM to confirm it first (it's with him for approval just now).

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 16 June 2020 11:37

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** CCELC and JBD agenda's

Hi all,

Please see below the draft agenda's and sequencing, grateful for any comments, additions by close today.

CCELC – agenda and papers to issue Wednesday afternoon

- Initial feedback on the guidance
- Suite of products/support for Guidance – table and sessions paper,
- Critical childcare – can we share CERG paper with CCELC?
- OOSC guidance
- Financial paper
- Frequency of meetings going forward (with view to moving into more operational focus)

JBD – draft papers to issue Thursday lunchtime for officials pre meet, papers to issue to all Friday lunchtime

- Overarching paper on recovery, critical childcare CERG, communication to LAs on 1140
- Delivery paper – data collection
- Capital
- Finance

	<p>[Redacted]</p>
A6	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 17 June 2020 18:13 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> Hey - wee heads up</p> <p>Hey, hows you?</p> <p>You'll be aware we are working up communication on 1140 which is being knocked about at the moment. Hoping to get this to you tomorrow and if possible out for JDB officials meeting. Will keep you posted tomorrow.</p> <p>[Redacted]</p>
A7	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 19 June 2020 12:53 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> JDB officials - reflections to issue to group</p> <p>Hi all,</p> <p>Please find attached reflections we propose to issue to the group. We'll draft a fuller minute along with Monday's minute. Please can you provide changes, additions asap</p> <p>Key points from this morning's meeting was the collective agreement on the need to continue momentum of rephrasing to 1140 as part of the reopening and recovery of ELC. This needs to be supported by clear messaging to the sector which should be immediate after Monday's JDB.</p>



**A – Yes**

**Q - Phase 3 partner sustainable rate?**

**A – this now needs to be reviewed and will be included in the joint communication following JDB. Councils will need to have individual conversations. Cost collection exercise being taken forward through FWG**

Critical childcare passed August – various movement around Schools will impact this as there will be less demand for critical childcare. Formal position is being developed with Learning colleagues

Q&A spreadsheet will be signed off tonight by [Redacted] and FAQ will be drafted for publication this week

ACTION – team to think about the opportunities using the delivery principles to relook at Service modelling

ACTION – [Redacted] to send out spreadsheet twice weekly to the team for info

ACTION - [Redacted] to pull together a template for asking LAs what their plans/models are for Phase 3 opening. Then share with DAT leads to send to ELC for collation as soon as possible.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 22 June 2020 11:01

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** DAT Meeting - Agenda

Hi all,

Hope you had a lovely weekend.

Agenda for this afternoons meeting as below:

1. ELC Joint Delivery Board Update
2. Q&A and LA Calls
3. Education focus on 600 hours

Thanks

[Redacted]

A9

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 24 June 2020 12:15  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: SSI template

Hey,

You're right we don't have these dates. Sorry I don't have all the info here but could we specify what parly session we expect this to be in? I would have thought a decision on 1140 will have been made by the next parly session after summer. Is that enough info at this time? Could check with SSI unit

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 24 June 2020 11:48  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** SSI template

Hi [Redacted]

I have filled out the SSI Bid for 1140 hours, just one part me and [redacted] were wondering about is the below section. I was under the impression these dates had not been formally laid down, so was wondering how we should approach filling this section out.

<b>Target making and laying dates</b>	<i>Please specify your preferred target making and laying dates and why these are required. These dates must be agreed with SGLD. Please explain if there is any flexibility with these dates.</i>
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	<b>Target Coming into force date</b>	<i>Please specify if there is a specific coming into force date you are working towards, and whether there is any flexibility with these .</i>
<p>Cheers, [Redacted]</p>		

A10	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted]  <b>Sent:</b> 29 June 2020 12:06  <b>To:</b> [Redacted] Cumming A (Alison) &lt;Alison.Cumming@gov.scot&gt;; [Redacted]  <b>Subject:</b> RE: JDB joint comms</p> <p>Hi [Redacted]</p> <p>As per the other email chain the direction information shouldn't be part of a joint communication so we'll do that separately and it is in hand with [Redacted] (and [Redacted] on her return tomorrow).</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>Otherwise I do think we should progress to getting this drafted into letter style and cleared for issue this week, quite a bit hinges on it and it feels incongruous to hold back when the JDB happened a week ago and people were expecting a communication out of that. Including the guidance SOP in the context section would help put a marker down that there is more to come.</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted]  <b>Sent:</b> 29 June 2020 11:55  <b>To:</b> Cumming A (Alison) &lt;<a href="mailto:Alison.Cumming@gov.scot">Alison.Cumming@gov.scot</a>&gt;; [Redacted] [Redacted]  <b>Subject:</b> JDB joint comms</p> <p>Hi all,</p>
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	<p>Having reviewed the comms again this morning I think we can put it out as is with a line saying that we will update on any changes to guidance as soon as possible. I think this will be really helpful for the sector and will cover off a number of question we have been asked. [Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted] we could add in lines on the direction if that would be helpful or if a separate note is required that's ok.</p> <p>Cheers</p> <p>[Redacted]</p>
A11	<p>Thanks [Redacted] looks grand, we'll need to who it is going to when we send to Minister and Cllr McCabe so they know who will receive it. If no joy from PMO [Redacted] will know.</p> <p>I'm logging off as have ear ache but will be on line tomorrow, [Redacted] might be able to help with distribution if not finalised today</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 29 June 2020 15:02 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> RE: joint communication following JDB</p> <p>Hi [Redacted]</p> <p>I've added the below in and I've tracked a couple of minor changes. Can you let me know you are content?</p> <p>Do you have contact details for [Redacted]?</p> <p>I've asked for a contacts list and I can forward on when I have it.</p> <p>Once you are content I will forward to Ministers office and Cllr McCabe. I will do this from the ELC delivery mailbox though as I don't work a Tues/Wed.</p> <p>Thanks</p>

	<p>[Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 29 June 2020 14:55 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> RE: joint communication following JDB</p> <p>Hi [Redacted]</p> <p>Can you add in the parts in yellow to the line in the letter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>recognising the significant impact of the coronavirus and recovery, it is not feasible to reinstate a universal 1140 duty in the academic year 20/21, or while the coronavirus public health measures remain in place, if that is longer.</li></ul> <p>The letter will need to go to Ms Todd and Cllr McCabe for sign off. [Redacted] is on leave this week so will need to go to [Redacted] and ask for Cllr McCabe's signature.</p> <p>Cheers</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 29 June 2020 12:19 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> joint communication following JDB</p> <p>Hi [Redacted],</p> <p>Please could you put the attached into a letter from Ms Todd and Cllr McCabe and make sure it flows well. I'm just confirming with Alison if we need final sign off from Minister and Cllr McCabe as one of the lines has slightly changed. I'll keep you posted. I'm hoping we can get this out over the next day or so as it will help manage some of the consistent questions we are getting</p> <p>Cheers</p> <p>[Redacted]</p>
A12	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 06 July 2020 14:23 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> RE: JDB comms sequencing</p> <p>Can you add the line about 1140 back not this academic year and significant PH guidance</p> <p>To support local authorities in their planning, at least six months' notice of a new date will be given. Recognising the significant impact of the</p>

coronavirus and recovery, it will not be feasible to reinstate a universal 1140 duty in the academic year 20/21, or while the coronavirus public health measures, which significantly impact on ELC capacity, remain in place, if that is longer.

[Redacted]

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**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 06 July 2020 14:14  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: JDB comms sequencing

Just checking you seen the erdm link for the provider notice  
<< File: Early Learning and Childcare - Covid-19 - Comms - Joint Communication - Letter for all providers - DRAFT - July 2020.obr >>

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**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 06 July 2020 13:43  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: JDB comms sequencing

Thanks [Redacted]

[Redacted] - can we issue to CCELC group once issued to providers.

Cheers  
[Redacted]

A13

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 10 July 2020 09:22  
**To:** Cumming A (Alison) <[Alison.Cumming@gov.scot](mailto:Alison.Cumming@gov.scot)>; [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: 1140 ELC funded hours

Thanks [Redacted] yes for us

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted] **On Behalf Of** Cumming A (Alison)  
**Sent:** 10 July 2020 08:59  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** Cumming A (Alison) <[Alison.Cumming@gov.scot](mailto:Alison.Cumming@gov.scot)>  
**Subject:** FW: 1140 ELC funded hours

Good Morning Both

Is this one for DAT?

It'll likely be coming though on the system soon but thought I'd send it over in advance.

Thanks  
[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 10 July 2020 08:56

**To:** Cumming A (Alison) <[Alison.Cumming@gov.scot](mailto:Alison.Cumming@gov.scot)>; [maree.Todd.msp@parliament.scot](mailto:maree.Todd.msp@parliament.scot); [nicola.Sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot](mailto:nicola.Sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot) <[nicola.Sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot](mailto:nicola.Sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot)>

**Subject:** 1140 ELC funded hours

Hello

I am writing to tell you of my anger and upset I am feeling regarding the funding of the 1140 funded hours in my area run by the Highland Council.

My daughter [Redacted] is 4 and currently attends Lochardil Primary School ELC, Inverness since last August 2019. The ELC last year was not on the pilot to offer the 1140 funded hours only 600 with the promise of the new allocation being implemented in August 2020. In February we have to submit our request for hours into the Highland Council and I submitted for 24 hours per week this allowed me to work 4 days rather than 3 at my work. I never received any communication as to if Mabel had a place in nursery never mind hours allocated until the last day of term (2<sup>nd</sup> July), in this email it was explained to me that my hours requested had been approved however only 600 hours would funded. I have my points of anger and frustration below:

- Firstly lack of communication of nursery place and funded hours availability. I have worked through the pandemic as a keyworker having to juggle childcare with my partner who is also a keyworker. My employer was looking for me to increase my hours of work in August 2020 and to only get confirmation that she has her place and 600 funded hours on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of July the day the schools close for the summer break is shocking as I can't even discuss with the school therefore can't commit to my employer who needs to know.
- Secondly I am very angry how the Highland Council seem to be using a postcode lottery system for children to access the funded hours. I have a 2 schools within a 10 minute walking distance of me, 1 being a Gaelic school. They received the 1140 funded hours in August 2019 and continue to receive them in August 2020. I do not want my children to learn Gaelic hence why they are in Lochardil Primary school however frustratingly a colleague who I work with who lives 14 miles out of Inverness in Drumnadrochit can send her child on a school bus provided free of charge by Highland Council to send her daughter to their ELC at the Gaelic school so she can benefit from 1140 funded hours which aren't available in the ELC in Drumnadrochit.
- Thirdly private nurseries getting funded hours over Local Authority nurseries. When Mabel is in her school ELC she is following curriculum and therefore being challenged academically compared to a private nursery where it is just childcare and play. Looking at the way Highland Council are distributing the funded hours it looks like they would rather me take my child out of a school nursery setting which this school year will be working on her

transition to Primary 1 and move her into a private nursery where I could claim the 1140 hours. Also with the private nurseries costing more I would have thought school ELC's run by the councils would have priority.

- I have seen lots in the media about how the government want to get the economy moving again. Therefore I am puzzled as to why I would need to pay £186 a month to send my daughter in for her 4 days 9am to 3pm so I can work more hours. I can't afford to do this meaning I am going to work less and in turn spend less. This makes me angry when 50% of school nurseries in the Inverness Area are getting the full 1140 hours and it seems I am being punished because of where I live.

I would just like an answer as to why when my nursery has the capacity to offer me the hours I have to pay extra for them. Also I would like to know why Highland Council aren't giving everyone the 600 funded hours and withdrawing the 1140 to keep it fair. I read today that Lanarkshire council have committed to providing the 1140 funded hours to every child by September if one local council can do it I feel something needs to be said to the others as this has been under preparation long before the covid pandemic and it seems you are just using it as an excuse.

Look forward to hearing from you

[Redacted]

A14

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 19 June 2020 12:08  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: W/c 15 June 2020

Dear all

please forgive a slight later update today - I wanted to save multiple emails in your inbox by including key points from the JDB officials meeting today.

[Redacted]

JDB officials meeting ahead of an early full meeting on Monday

- 1140 : discussion around the proposed approach to affirming that there will not be a return to the 1140 duty sprung on authorities, whilst balancing the importance to maintain capacity which is there and preserve momentum. Overall a constructive discussion which focused quite a bit on capital programme and if that could be maintained how the spaces which become available could be used for other purposes to support schools recovery as well as ELC. [Redacted] going to refine a bit more some of the messages in the recommendations paper - will be issued later today.

[Redacted]

A15

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 02 July 2020 08:42

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Ministerial and COSLA Joint Communication - ELC - June 2020

Morning[Redacted] /to copy list for info/advice (have removed Mins/Spads)

Just to add to [Redacted] comments, Parliament weren't just informed of the 1140 revocation – they approved the revocation order.

It was all done in super speedy time, but 1140 was taken off the books by Parly.

I've not managed to have a look at the letter but can add wording if helpful?

What is timing on this?

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 02 July 2020 07:26

**To:** McAllister C (Colin) <[Colin.McAllister@gov.scot](mailto:Colin.McAllister@gov.scot)>; Minister for Children and Young People <[MinisterCYP@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterCYP@gov.scot)>

**Cc:** Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills <[DFMCSE@gov.scot](mailto:DFMCSE@gov.scot)>; [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Ministerial and COSLA Joint Communication - ELC - June 2020

Hi [Redacted],

Thanks for this, really helpful. We will ensure the letter reflects this.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** McAllister C (Colin) <[Colin.McAllister@gov.scot](mailto:Colin.McAllister@gov.scot)>

**Sent:** 01 July 2020 20:08

**To:** [Redacted] Minister for Children and Young People <[MinisterCYP@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterCYP@gov.scot)>

**Cc:** Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills <[DFMCSE@gov.scot](mailto:DFMCSE@gov.scot)>; [Redacted]  
**Subject:** COSLA Joint Communication - ELC - June 2020

Ok. Happy with that.

One point of detail that may seem a bit of a technicality but is important is on the letter to the committee. Please make sure it explicitly reminds them that Parliament has previously been informed of the removal of the 1140 hours statutory requirement. This is important because that is when, technically, the policy of 600 hours being the mandatory level was set. If we don't do this, we would actually need a GIQ (or one of the other prescribed methods of telling parli of major policy changes) because a letter to the committee is not one of the allowable methods (weirdly!).

Regards

**Colin McAllister**  
0131 244 3248  
07557 744868



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**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 01 July 2020 17:43  
**To:** Minister for Children and Young People <[MinisterCYP@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterCYP@gov.scot)>; McAllister C (Colin) <[Colin.McAllister@gov.scot](mailto:Colin.McAllister@gov.scot)>  
**Cc:** Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills <[DFMCSE@gov.scot](mailto:DFMCSE@gov.scot)>; [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Ministerial and COSLA Joint Communication - ELC - June 2020

Hi [Redacted] and [Redacted]

Please see below the suggested handling plan for the joint communication to LAs. I've discussed this with [Redacted] in News Comms and [Redacted] ELC Parental Comms lead.

Grateful for Ms Todd/Colin's approval on this.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

	<p><b>[Redacted]</b></p>
A16	<p><b>From:</b> Minister for Children and Young People <b>Sent:</b> 30 June 2020 18:22 <b>To:</b> Cumming A (Alison) &lt;Alison.Cumming@gov.scot&gt;; [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> Minister for Children and Young People &lt;MinisterCYP@gov.scot&gt; <b>Subject:</b> RE: ELC Joint Delivery Board - Monday 22 June</p> <p>Hi All</p> <p>I understand there was an agreement at the JDB to prepare joint communication on 1140. Ms Todd is wondering where we are with that?</p> <p>Thanks</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 19 June 2020 16:20 <b>To:</b> Cumming A (Alison) &lt;<a href="mailto:Alison.Cumming@gov.scot">Alison.Cumming@gov.scot</a>&gt;; Minister for Children and Young People &lt;<a href="mailto:MinisterCYP@gov.scot">MinisterCYP@gov.scot</a>&gt;; [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> ELC Joint Delivery Board - Monday 22 June</p> <p>Dear colleagues,</p> <p>With thanks for your patience, I have now attached the agenda and papers for Mondays ELC Joint Delivery Board.</p> <p>Regards, [Redacted]</p>
A17	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 08 July 2020 17:34 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> RE: parent club - update to 1140 page</p> <p>Hi [Redacted]</p> <p>That's done: <a href="https://www.parentclub.scot/articles/early-learning-and-childcare-in-scotland-is-changing">https://www.parentclub.scot/articles/early-learning-and-childcare-in-scotland-is-changing</a></p> <p>All the best,</p>

	<p>[Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 08 July 2020 17:21 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> RE: parent club - update to 1140 page</p> <p>Hi [Redacted],</p> <p>To confirm we are making these changes now.</p> <p>Many thanks,</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 08 July 2020 17:08 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> RE: parent club - update to 1140 page</p> <p>Thanks [Redacted]. I've made changes to tone down the enthusiasm about extra hours. Hopefully the attached is ok?</p> <p>[Redacted] [Redacted], see attached. Would be great to update this ASAP – I know you guys are extremely busy though. This is to update about our position on funded hours. Would be great to update ASAP as the communication went out this morning.</p> <p>(We also discussed sharing on social media once PC is updated – I'll check in with you about that tomorrow).</p> <p>[Redacted]</p>
A18	<p>Hi [Redacted] – as discussed, just resending proposed changes for Parent Club. Ta.</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 02 July 2020 17:33 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> parent club - update to 1140 page</p>



parent club -  
update to 1140 page

A19

Hi [Redacted]

Believe this is one for your team to lead on.

Thanks

**From:** [Redacted] **On Behalf Of** Covid Exit Strategy

**Sent:** 03 July 2020 14:12

**To:** CPS Group Hub <[CPSGroupHubCovid@gov.scot](mailto:CPSGroupHubCovid@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** FW: URGENT: COVID IMPACT on ELC admissions - 1140 Entitlement

Hello,

As this is not about the overall approach taken in the route map, but rather on the re-opening of a nursery I would appreciate if you could forward to appropriate policy colleagues.

Thanks

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

COVID-19 Exit Strategy Team

Please note, I am currently working from home and can be contacted by email and Skype.

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 03 July 2020 13:00

**To:** Covid Exit Strategy <[covidexitstrategy@gov.scot](mailto:covidexitstrategy@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** Fwd: URGENT: COVID IMPACT on ELC admissions - 1140 Entitlement

Please can this be considered from a routemap perspective given nurserys can reopen from Phase 3 yet some children will get fewer funded hours than others depending on Local Authorities decision making at this time.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

[Redacted]

--- Forwarded message -----

**From:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Date:** Fri, 3 Jul 2020, 12:50

**Subject:** URGENT: COVID IMPACT on ELC admissions - 1140 Entitlement

**To:** <[earlyyears@southlanarkshire.gov.uk](mailto:earlyyears@southlanarkshire.gov.uk)>

**Cc:** <[ceu@scotland.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:ceu@scotland.gsi.gov.uk)>, <[scottishministers@gov.scot](mailto:scottishministers@gov.scot)>, <[Clare.Haughey.msp@parliament.scot](mailto:Clare.Haughey.msp@parliament.scot)>

Early Learning & Childcare at South Lanarkshire Council,

CC:

- Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills
- Scottish Government Policy Lead for Early Years Education
- Clare Haughey, MSP for Cambuslang and Rutherglen

I am writing in regards to the August 2020 intake for 3-5 year olds for funded places in nursery.

[Redacted] my son has been given his funded place at his current nursery [Redacted] but in your letter, as expected, you refer to Covid-19 and SG decision to not enforce a statutory commitment on local authorities to roll this out now by August given staffing and building needs.

My understanding though is that Local authorities have the discretion to provide what they want/can in August 2020. East Dunbartonshire council wrote to parents yesterday and confirmed they will provide 750 hours for now. North Lanarkshire are going to provide the full 1140 hours.

<https://www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/news/commitment-750-hours-early-years-august>

<https://www.cumbernauld-news.co.uk/education/update-now-provided-nursery-hours-within-north-lanarkshire-council-2901401>

Given access to education, equality, entitlement and the links of education to future opportunities for our children, it seems incredibly unfair that in 2020, despite current circumstances, a child will be unfairly disadvantaged depending on where they live in Scotland. This has multiple parallels to Scottish Government policies around wellbeing and driving Inclusive Growth for all areas of Scotland. We therefore need to ensure that South Lanarkshire is not left behind with this approach.

I fully appreciate that more staff are required in our nurseries in order to facilitate the extra hours for some nurseries, and others which still need to be built but were delayed/postponed due to the impact of Covid-19. However, for those nurseries who had already fully planned and implemented the necessary changes to accommodate the August 2020 intake, why can they not be allocated the 1140 hours just now at least? Then greater work can be applied to the other nurseries as soon as possible to also facilitate this as we progress through the routemap.

I, like many other parents do not want my child to suffer because he will only get 14 hours a week currently funded (nursery open 50 weeks a year) instead of the 30 hour entitlement. In addition, our caring responsibilities since lockdown have significantly increased and parents need access to these hours now more than ever in order to return to work, contribute to restarting Scotland's Economy and provide for their families.

I would be most grateful if you could consider my thoughts and your position as a council after reflecting on what other Local Authorities are doing in recent days.

I would also welcome a formal response from the Council as well as Scottish Government as soon as possible in order to fully understand my options for my personal circumstances regarding my sons education as well as the wider policy plans to ensure no child is left behind with this rollout.

Kind regards,

[Redacted]

A20

Thanks [Redacted]. I'll issue now.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 19 June 2020 15:49  
**To:** [Redacted] McAllister C (Colin) <[Colin.McAllister@gov.scot](mailto:Colin.McAllister@gov.scot)>  
**Cc:** News Desk <[Newsdesk@gov.scot](mailto:Newsdesk@gov.scot)>; [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: For SpAd views - media query - 1140 nursery hours - Glasgow Times

To be clear, happy to clear for issuing.

Thanks

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 19 June 2020 15:41  
**To:** [Redacted] McAllister C (Colin) <[Colin.McAllister@gov.scot](mailto:Colin.McAllister@gov.scot)>  
**Cc:** News Desk <[Newsdesk@gov.scot](mailto:Newsdesk@gov.scot)>; [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: For SpAd views - media query - 1140 nursery hours - Glasgow Times

Ok thanks.

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 19 June 2020 15:26

**To:** McAllister C (Colin) <[Colin.McAllister@gov.scot](mailto:Colin.McAllister@gov.scot)>; Nicolson S (Stuart) Special Adviser <[Redacted]

**Cc:** News Desk <[Newsdesk@gov.scot](mailto:Newsdesk@gov.scot)>; [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
[Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** For SpAd views - media query - 1140 nursery hours - Glasgow Times

Good afternoon SpAds,

Grateful if you could confirm you're happy with these previously cleared lines being issued to the Glasgow Times, in response to a query about delivery of 1140 hours of ELC.

The lines have been tweaked to add in the highlighted part - so could you indicate whether you still want this to go up to Ms Todd for clearance – or if you're happy to clear it to go?

Thanks,

[Redacted]

#### **QUERY**

I'm working on a story about the current situation with the 1140 hours provision. It seems, from talking to providers from a range of local authorities, that there is a real patchwork approach to provision. For example, Glasgow is currently offering 900 hours while over the border in East Ren the full 1140 hours is being offered. East Dunbartonshire says it won't confirm its hours until July while North Lanarkshire is offering "up to" 600 funded hours.

Parents are really concerned that they won't be able to continue with their return to work plans as they had organised their schedules around having 1140 funded hours and now, in the majority of cases, this will not go ahead. At the same time, private partnership providers say they are now worried they will have to look at redundancies having increased their staff sizes and capacity with a view to accommodating 1140 hours but now are not receiving funding from local authorities.

Although implementing the provision of 1140 is the responsibility of individual local authorities.

Can you tell me what the Scottish Government position currently is on the issue? And is there any government support on offer to private providers who are in the position of having increased capacity to fulfil the government requirement of 1140 hours but are now not receiving expected funding?

## RESPONSE

A Scottish Government spokesperson said:

“We have published guidance on public health measures for safe reopening of ELC and councils are working hard to understand what the effect of this will be on capacity.

“This may mean that ELC offers may need to change or reduce, as councils make difficult decisions based on local needs - but **all local authorities must meet their existing statutory duty to deliver 600 hours of funded ELC.**”

“In the strategic framework for reopening, we agreed principles with local government for prioritising access to ELC for those families who need it most.”

### Background

In March Audit Scotland confirmed we were on track to deliver the 1140 hours expansion, in partnership with local authorities. Hundreds of buildings were already built or refurbished, thousands of additional staff recruited, and more than 50,000 children were receiving more than the current entitlement of 600 hours.

When the extent of the COVID-19 pandemic became clear, we took the difficult decision to suspend the statutory duty on local authorities to provide 1,140 hours of early learning and childcare from this August, to ensure the focus was on ensuring the safety and wellbeing of children, families and staff during the pandemic.

<p>A21</p>	<p>Cumming A (Alison) &lt;Alison.Cumming@gov.scot&gt;; [Redacted] [Redacted] Chief Executive Transport Scotland &lt;ceo@transport.gov.scot&gt;; [Redacted] [Redacted]</p> <p>Dear colleagues, [Redacted]</p> <p>Thank you all for your time in this morning's meeting. I've attached the group reflections that we captured and look forward to speaking to you all on Monday morning.</p> <p>Thanks</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>Delivery Assurance Officer</p> <p>Early Learning and Childcare Expansion</p> <p>Area GD South, Victoria Quay, EH6 6QQ</p> <p>[Redacted] [Redacted]</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div data-bbox="284 1220 486 1332">  </div> <div data-bbox="507 1220 1332 1310" style="text-align: center;"> <p>Making Scotland the best place to grow up</p> <p><a href="http://www.gov.scot/childrenandfamilies">www.gov.scot/childrenandfamilies</a>   <a href="https://twitter.com/girfec">@girfec</a>   <a href="https://twitter.com/bestplacetogrowup">#bestplacetogrowup</a></p> </div> <div data-bbox="1332 1209 1444 1321">  </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center; margin-top: 20px;"> <div data-bbox="311 1422 422 1534">  </div> <div data-bbox="438 1400 718 1512" style="text-align: center;"> <p>SUPPORTING year of young people bliadhna na h-òigridh 2018</p> </div> </div>
<p>A22</p>	<p>All comments captured in this one</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> Cumming A (Alison) &lt;<a href="mailto:Alison.Cumming@gov.scot">Alison.Cumming@gov.scot</a>&gt;</p> <p><b>Sent:</b> 19 June 2020 14:13</p> <p><b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted]</p> <p><b>Subject:</b> RE: JDB officials - reflections to issue to group</p>

Thanks very much [Redacted]. Some minor additions tracked into Adam's version.

Alison

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**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 19 June 2020 13:12

**To:** [Redacted] Cumming A (Alison) <[Alison.Cumming@gov.scot](mailto:Alison.Cumming@gov.scot)>; [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
[Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: JDB officials - reflections to issue to group

Hi [Redacted],

Thanks for this. Revised version attached with minor changes to wording in the section on data collection.

Any questions please let me know.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 19 June 2020 12:53 <b>To:</b> <a href="mailto:Alison.Cumming@gov.scot">Alison.Cumming@gov.scot</a>; [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> JDB officials - reflections to issue to group</p> <p>Hi all,</p> <p>Please find attached reflections we propose to issue to the group. We'll draft a fuller minute along with Monday's minute. Please can you provide changes, additions asap</p> <p>Key points from this morning's meeting was the collective agreement on the need to continue momentum of rephrasing to 1140 as part of the reopening and recovery of ELC. This needs to be supported by clear messaging to the sector which should be immediate after Monday's JDB.</p> <p>[Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]</p>
A23	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 11 June 2020 19:18 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> RE: MANAGEMENT OF THE OVERALL SSI PROGRAMME - Dissolution of the Scottish Parliament - SSI Requirements</p> <p>Yes – we would need an SSI to make 1140 statutory from August 2021. We'd also need one if required to bring in deferral then too. I'll ask to coordinate a return for 29 June so we have a marker in for both if required.</p> <p>[Redacted] in the longer term, I think it makes sense for the 1140 legislation to sit under [Redacted] 1140 strategy function rather than in our unit. [Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p>



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A24

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 10 June 2020 14:28

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Summer Budget Revision (SuBR) - Committee Appearance

I think those bullets are important.

I am fairly sure the payment commitment is in a letter from DFM on 18/19 march on closures, and that FM made that commitment in parliament also.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 10 June 2020 14:27

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Summer Budget Revision (SuBR) - Committee Appearance

Thanks will add, and I'm not hearing a rejection of the yellow highlighted bullets!

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 10 June 2020 14:26

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Summer Budget Revision (SuBR) - Committee Appearance

One wee potential addition – might need refining

*Suspension of the 1140 expansion*

- When the extent of the Covid-19 pandemic became clear, we took the difficult decision to suspend the statutory duty on local authorities to provide 1,140 hours of early learning and childcare from this August.
- However, we remain 100% committed to our ambitious plans to nearly double funded early learning and childcare hours, just to a different timetable than originally envisaged – this is a pause, not a stop.
- At this point, we cannot reasonably assess when full delivery may be achievable and will not be able to do so until the extent and duration of the impacts of the pandemic are clear. Scottish and Local Government will work together to bring forward new implementation proposals at the appropriate time.
- A significant proportion of the funding is already committed by local authorities, particularly in terms of staff contracts. In addition, when the duty is reintroduced, adequate funding levels will be required.

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 10 June 2020 14:18

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Summer Budget Revision (SuBR) - Committee Appearance

On reflection I've revised the middle section to be a bit more bullish on this point - see attached and below highlight. Too far? Feels like the kind of thing a minister needs to be able to say in committee if challenged and consistent with what we've been talking about? -

*Flexible use of 1140 funding as part of response and recovery*

- The FM made a commitment in Parliament to continue with payments to providers for statutory funding, and COSLA issued guidance on 24 March for commissioners of ELC provision on implementing this commitment.
- Ministers and CoSLA Leaders agreed a number of funding flexibility measures on 15 May, which were detailed in a letter from the SG to senior LA officials.
- Measures included that all emergency childcare provision is free at the point of access during the emergency response period; and that during this period local authorities should pay sustainable rates to their funded providers for the delivery of critical childcare on behalf of the authority.
- The Scottish Government has committed that funding previously ring-fenced for delivery of the 1140 hours entitlement may be used flexibly by local authorities in and beyond the closure period to absorb the additional costs of recovery related requirements for Early Learning and Childcare, including school age childcare.
- This reflects an acknowledgement that there will be cost implications of public health measures, which could be offset by flexible use of the available funding including use of 1140 hours funds already allocated. Careful consideration is being given to ensuring value for public money as part of ongoing discussions with local authorities and ELC providers.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 10 June 2020 12:13

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Summer Budget Revision (SuBR) - Committee Appearance

Both

I've done this using largely existing lines with tweaks. I do wonder if we can be more specific about why we consider continuing the 1140 funding as is to be value for money - is there a good specific line in existence on this?

grateful for your consideration by 3.30pm at which point I'll look at again and send on to [Redacted].

Ask was:

*Could you help with this request for urgent briefing please? It's preparation for a Committee appearance by Ms Forbes. Her office think there may be questions from opposition members about ELC funding – in particular why it is being sustained at agreed levels while the 1140 target has been relaxed.*

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 10 June 2020 12:07

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Summer Budget Revision (SuBR) - Committee Appearance

Much appreciated [Redacted]. Will look out for email this afternoon.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 10 June 2020 11:38

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Summer Budget Revision (SuBR) - Committee Appearance

Both

I'm going to pull something short together from key lines elsewhere which may have some bits where I need your input to clarify/add. Will circulate asap this afternoon.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 10 June 2020 11:12

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** Cumming A (Alison) <[Alison.Cumming@gov.scot](mailto:Alison.Cumming@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** RE: Summer Budget Revision (SuBR) - Committee Appearance

[Redacted]

To confirm we've picked this up.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 10 June 2020 11:03

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** Cumming A (Alison) <[Alison.Cumming@gov.scot](mailto:Alison.Cumming@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** FW: Summer Budget Revision (SuBR) - Committee Appearance

**Importance:** High

Hello,

Could you help with this request for urgent briefing please? It's preparation for a Committee appearance by Ms Forbes. Her office think there may be questions from opposition members about ELC funding – in particular why it is being sustained at agreed levels while the 1140 target has been relaxed.

Grateful if you could send lines to [Redacted] by the end of the day.

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 10 June 2020 10:00

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: Summer Budget Revision (SuBR) - Committee Appearance  
**Importance:** High

All

To see cab sec's additional request for appearance at committee on Friday.

Apologies for the urgency on this but could you please provide a paragraph on the highlighted items below by the end of the day to add to the SuBR briefing pack.

Many Thanks  
[Redacted]

A25

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 01 July 2020 08:44  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: For clearance - OR - 202000043317 - due 30 June

Thanks for this [Redacted].

As you'll see, I forwarded the case onto [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] too. I have included you in that chain.

Looks like [Redacted] doesn't think we can add much specifically.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 30 June 2020 14:12  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: For clearance - OR - 202000043317 - due 30 June

Hi [Redacted],

I haven't seen this point being made in any case before, but it is a very valid point. Do you think we could reference the EQIA and say that we are acutely aware

of the impact that the policy has on people with protected characteristics and we will continue to look at this as work progresses to bring 1140 back?

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 30 June 2020 09:08

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** For clearance - OR - 202000043317 - due 30 June

Hi [Redacted]

Please see attached a 1140 case for clearance. This is due to issue today (30 June).

[Redacted] – copying you in as I am wondering if your team have any 1140 lines on the impact on women in withdrawing 1140 please? Just wondering if you have seen this point being made in other cases too as the person in this particular case states:

*My husband is in the army and has continued to work the entire way through this pandemic and I work at Edinburgh University and I don't work 9-5 I do lots of evenings and weekends.*

[redacted]

*I have paid the nursery for 20 hours a week on top of the 30 she got, and I also pay extra childcare for the evenings and weekends since my husband is military and I can't rely on him being home. So I will now have to give up my career again and wonder if I will get it back at all as I cannot reasonably expect my husband to give up his career as it is more vital than mine at the moment.*

*I Cannot help but feel extremely frustrated and angry at the ever continuing inequality of being a woman and mother especially as I am in the exact same position as 2 men neither of which will lose their position due to childcare arrangements.*

Thanks,

[Redacted]

A26

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 02 July 2020 09:19  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: For clearance - OR - 202000043261 - due 1 July

Thanks [Redacted] I'll get this issued.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 02 July 2020 09:18  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: For clearance - OR - 202000043261 - due 1 July

Hi [Redacted]

I think that's a good response. It's a shame we can't be more helpful, but I think it's still worth including the line you have about TFC on parent club

Thanks.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 02 July 2020 09:12  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** For clearance - OR - 202000043261 - due 1 July

Hi [Redacted]

Please see attached OR for clearance on childcare costs/1140. Sorry it's overdue, I'm playing a bit of catch up on my cases.

I struggled to know how to respond to this case as they are already accessing TFC so wanted to run it by yourself. I guess there's not much more we can offer in terms of help with childcare costs is there?

Thanks,  
[Redacted]

A27

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 02 July 2020 13:16  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Seeking team leader input on OR on 1140 and impact on women - due 30 June

Thanks [Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 02 July 2020 10:37  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Seeking team leader input on OR on 1140 and impact on women - due 30 June

Hi [Redacted]

We are waiting for comments back from COSLA so it has not issued yet.

I'll send on to you once it issues.

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 02 July 2020 08:35  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Seeking team leader input on OR on 1140 and impact on women - due 30 June

Today or tomorrow. I've not seen the most recent draft, sorry.

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 02 July 2020 08:23

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Seeking team leader input on OR on 1140 and impact on women - due 30 June

Did the joint communication from JDB issue? If so, would anyone be able to share it with me please so I can include relevant info into this case.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 01 July 2020 09:17

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Seeking team leader input on OR on 1140 and impact on women - due 30 June

My understanding is that it will issue after CERG today, but it is still to be cleared by the Minister and COSLA

**From:** [Redacted]**Sent:** 01 July 2020 09:16

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Seeking team leader input on OR on 1140 and impact on women - due 30 June

Better later and more helpful?

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 01 July 2020 09:12

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Seeking team leader input on OR on 1140 and impact on women - due 30 June

I only know about Edinburgh from personal experience – we've been told that [Redacted] will access 1140.

The joint communication from JDB might be helpful in explaining the approach to private partner settings. That is supposed to go any day now, but I know your response is already late so you might not want to hold off.

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 01 July 2020 09:03

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Seeking team leader input on OR on 1140 and impact on women - due 30 June

Hi [Redacted]

I'm afraid other than what was on the BBC article about all ELC offers in Scotland I don't know anything more about Edinburgh's offer specifically.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 01 July 2020 08:35

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Seeking team leader input on OR on 1140 and impact on women - due 30 June

Thanks [Redacted]

Yeah, I agree it probably isn't that useful to necessarily acknowledge so will not add that bit in.

I have tweaked the order as suggested and added these lines on some LAs still being able to offer 1140:

*However, we are confident that thousands of children will be able to continue to benefit from early phasing of expanded ELC entitlement after this period of closure*

*and reprioritisation of resource, and that council teams and their partners will continue to progress their expansion plans as best they can in the current period.*

I already had some lines on TFC at the end of the response, so have left these in too.

[Redacted] [Redacted]– do you know anything about the 1140 plans in Edinburgh?

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 30 June 2020 18:49

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Seeking team leader input on OR on 1140 and impact on women - due 30 June

Hola

Nothing specifically we can say about unequal impact on women I don't think. We are aware, in general, that lack of childcare has a disproportionate impact on women. So we could acknowledge it but not sure how helpful that is to her?

I wonder if this needs a re-order though? Up front – continuing commitment to 1140: do we still have lines saying LAs may be able to still offer 1140? Does this woman know she won't still be able to access an 1140 place for her child? Say she can contact her council to find out what will be available locally. It looks like she is in Edi. Do [Redacted]'s team know what Edi are saying about this? (or does [Redacted] know?!)

I also wonder about having something about other sources of help with childcare costs – from 15 July she will (hopefully) be able to pay for childcare. Could we point her to the UK level support (TFC I assume if they are both working?).

Hope that's helpful.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 30 June 2020 16:22  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** Seeking team leader input on OR on 1140 and impact on women - due 30 June

Hello,

We have been working on a 1140 OR that we would be grateful for a bit of a steer on an approach to answering some aspects please.

For the majority of the reply we have used our standard lines on the 1140 pause, however, the parent is raising the point that not introducing 1140 from August will have a greater impact on women, and we weren't too sure if we have anything we can add to the answer this on this particular point?

The case and original correspondence are in the attached, and I would be grateful for any help you can give in how to address this particular point please.

Thanks,  
[Redacted]

A28

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 03 July 2020 09:05  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: Joint comms  
**Importance:** High

All,

I'm not sure how many of you will have seen this but this is the letter which will issues to LAs (subject to clearance from COSLA) today on 1140. This should also help in responding some of the cases we have, although we should wait to see the final version. I think it may be included in the Update to the sector which Alison referred to yesterday – I think that that is due to go out shortly but presumably after this issues to LA!

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

A29

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 02 July 2020 07:23

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: MiCase 202000052563 - child with speech and language need from [Redacted] REPLY BY 21 JULY 2020

Thank you [Redacted]

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 01 July 2020 16:06

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: MiCase 202000052563 - child with speech and language need from [Redacted] REPLY BY 21 JULY 2020

Hello,

Here are some lines on funded ELC:

*The ongoing response to the coronavirus pandemic means that the Scottish Government and local authorities can't guarantee the expanded funded ELC hours will be available everywhere from August 2020. As local authorities and other providers priorities are on meeting the childcare needs of keyworkers and vulnerable children, lots of planned work to prepare for August (like recruitment and building projects) can't go ahead at the moment.*

*The increase to 1140 hours will still take place, however at this point we cannot reasonably assess when full delivery will be achievable. We won't know that until the extent and duration of the*

*impacts of the pandemic are clear. We appreciate that this decision will be disappointing for families who will have been making plans in anticipation of their children becoming entitled to 1140 hours of ELC from August.*

*Local authorities will have to work out what they are able offer and share updated plans with parents, which will include information about the places they can provide. We have added more information on the impact of coronavirus on the ELC expansion on the [Parent Club ELC pages](#), which you may find useful.*

*I understand the frustrations on this matter and the impact this may be having on your family at this time. We would encourage your daughter to check if her family can access any support for paying the costs of childcare through UK-wide schemes such as the Tax Free Childcare scheme, which tops up money families put aside for childcare costs. More information on eligibility for this scheme and others can be found on the [Parent Club website](#).*

*In the meantime, I would encourage your daughter to contact North Lanarkshire Council, to understand what will be in place locally.*

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 01 July 2020 14:54

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** MiCase 202000052563 - child with speech and language need from [Redacted]REPLY BY 21 JULY 2020

Hi Both

I appreciate I have a bit of time with this case but I have had a contribution from the HB which will progress the situation for the child so would really appreciate your contribution as below to provide an early response to the grandmother.

Thanks

[Redacted]

	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 30 June 2020 10:10 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> RE: MiCase 202000052563 - child with speech and language need from [Redacted] REPLY BY 21 JULY 2020</p> <p>Hello,</p> <p>Yes that's fine.</p> <p>[Redacted], can you please offer lines on access to funded ELC?</p> <p>[Redacted], it would be useful to also include a link to Parent Club for useful information and links about a range of things.</p> <p>Thanks,</p> <p>[Redacted]</p>
A30	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 02 July 2020 14:02 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> RE: Letter from Mike Rumbles MSP: Early Learning and Childcare</p> <p>Hi [Redacted],</p> <p>It would seem the letters were sent onto us by Mike Rumbles PO via the PEU, so I would assume this would mean they would like our take but granted it doesn't specifically say so. This email with the two letters attached are the only attached to the case on MiCase.</p> <p>-[Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 02 July 2020 13:57 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> RE: Letter from Mike Rumbles MSP: Early Learning and Childcare</p>

Hi [Redacted]

I am a bit confused, this is not addressed to a Minister it's addressed to the Chief exec of Aberdeenshire.

Is there anything else in the system on this case e.g. another email where he is asking for Ministers views?

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 02 July 2020 13:52

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: Letter from Mike Rumbles MSP: Early Learning and Childcare

Hi [Redacted]

Just to flag up a bit of a tricky MR I've received regarding the 1140 delay in Aberdeenshire.

While I feel most of our lines should answer most points, we may need to draw some up to emphasise that as of last year there was a variety in the number of hours offered as local authorities were bulding up capacity for august.

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 24 June 2020 11:51

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** Letter from Mike Rumbles MSP: Early Learning and Childcare

To whom it may concern,

Please find attached a letter from Mike Rumbles MSP on behalf of one of his constituents.

Kind regards,

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

A31

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 03 July 2020 10:20  
To: [Redacted] [Redacted]  
Cc: [Redacted]  
Subject: RE: Nursery provision

Many thanks for this [Redacted], I will include the below line and send off

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 03 July 2020 10:11  
To: [Redacted] [Redacted]  
Cc: [Redacted]  
Subject: RE: Nursery provision

Hi [Redacted]

I'm not sure if [Redacted] is working today. I think its fine on the issues discussed. I have added in lines when I have had cases where the person has worked in a hub, something in the closing like:

I'd like to thank you on behalf of the Minister for Children and Young People, Maree Todd, for your support in delivering key worker childcare. As you know, this provision has been vitally important in ensuring the country is able to respond to the COVID 19 pandemic, as well as supporting the wellbeing of the children, young people and their families at this difficult time

[Redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 03 July 2020 09:52  
To: [Redacted] [Redacted]  
Cc: [Redacted]  
Subject: RE: Nursery provision

Hi [Redacted] and [Redacted],

We have decided to send off the case today, would either of you be able to take a quick look over our draft to ensure your happy with points reflecting your interests?

Many thanks,  
[Redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 02 July 2020 15:55  
To: [Redacted] [Redacted]  
Cc: [Redacted]  
Subject: RE: Nursery provision

Many thanks for clarifying this,

Would it be possible to mention that this is in discussion and to check the relevant SG webpages for an update next week?

Failing that I'm just cc'ing in [Redacted] to see if it would be worth holding back on the case and issue next week as it is due for response today.

Many thanks,  
[Redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 02 July 2020 14:14  
To: [Redacted] [Redacted]  
Subject: RE: Nursery provision

Hi [Redacted] - just for clarification - we can't say anything publically yet about critical childcare ending as that needs agreed by Ministers - should have that agreement early next week (hopefully!)

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 02 July 2020 10:24  
To: [Redacted] [Redacted]  
Subject: RE: Nursery provision

Hi [Redacted],

Many thanks for this, it's very helpful to include and I will include in the response.

All the best,  
[Redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 01 July 2020 19:36  
To: [Redacted] [Redacted]  
Subject: RE: Nursery provision

No particular designation has been made for teachers working in school settings but teachers in critical childcare are within category 1.  
If, as anticipated, schools return full time then there won't be a requirement for critical childcare beyond August. I'm just drafting a submission for Ministers which will recommend ending critical childcare at the end of the summer (given that it was an emergency response and all childcare should be re-open by then).  
I'll keep you posted on that.

Hope that's helpful?

Thanks,  
[Redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 01 July 2020 17:59  
To: [Redacted]  
Cc: [Redacted]  
Subject: RE: Nursery provision

Hi [Redacted]

Sorry for not getting back to you sooner on this one.

I think the point raised about 1140 are more about the long term financial effects for the family if 1140 is not available, where the point on key worker childcare is more of a short term concern.

I wouldn't treat them as an overlap but rather two separate questions to address in our response if that makes sense?

Many thanks,  
[Redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 30 June 2020 10:33  
To: [Redacted]  
Cc: [Redacted]  
Subject: RE: Nursery provision

Hi [Redacted], are you still working on this one?

I've copied [Redacted] in as I'm not sure if teachers were designated any particular status on the keyworker front, and when that may be expected to end. Although if it relates to 1140 I'm not sure what the degree of overlap is...

[Redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 23 June 2020 14:27  
To: [Redacted]  
Subject: RE: Nursery provision

Hi there, just to update that DFMs speech on Tuesday 23rd may affect some of the keyworker lines, particularly re teachers so I'll let you know asap!  
[Redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 18 June 2020 17:16  
To: [Redacted]  
Subject: RE: Nursery provision

No worries [Redacted],

No rush on this it's not due until the 2nd, so next week is no bother at all.

All the best,  
[Redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 18 June 2020 17:13  
To: [Redacted]  
Subject: RE: Nursery provision

Can do, there's a lot of information here to work with - looks like they are only guaranteeing the 600 hours but I'm not sure if that applies to key workers <https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/coronavirus>

I am working on a few cases that need new lines about provision for teachers, Kate was working on something for key worker definitions so I'll dig that out asap for you

[Redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 18 June 2020 17:01  
To: [Redacted]  
Subject: FW: Nursery provision

Hi [Redacted]

I am working on this case about the delay of 1140, it also touches on key worker childcare for ELC aged children - would you be able to give a contribution on this?

Many thanks,  
[Redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 04 June 2020 21:46  
To: Public Engagement Unit <[CorrespondenceUnit@gov.scot](mailto:CorrespondenceUnit@gov.scot)>  
Subject: FW: Nursery provision

AO - [Redacted]

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From: [FirstMinisterWebsite@gov.scot][[SMTP:FIRSTMINISTERWEBSITE@GOV.SCOT](mailto:SMTP:FIRSTMINISTERWEBSITE@GOV.SCOT)]

Sent: 04 June 2020 21:43:58  
To: First Ministers Website Mailbox  
Subject: Nursery provision  
Auto forwarded by a Rule

From: [Redacted]  
Subject: Nursery provision

	<p>Message Body: Good evening,</p> <p>I work in Senior Management of a primary school in Glasgow and have provided a hub for key workers children throughout this pandemic. My partner works full times for the NHS, he is also a key worker who has worked throughout, neither of us has taken any time off. We have a three year old girl who will be four in September and we are fully expecting the 1140 hours funded nursery from August. We have recently moved and had based our financial decisions on this knowledge. I understand that the Scottish government is no longer asking local authorities to meet this previous promise. As a family of key workers I feel we are being directly financially penalised as we have a nursery aged child. School children whose parents are key workers will receive free childcare on the days that they are not in school. I ask you to consider maintaining the 1140 funded hours for families of key workers who cannot work from home. I would like a response but I also do not wish you to share my email. Please support the families of key workers with nursery aged children. We have done our bit for the country, please support us.</p>
A32	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 03 July 2020 15:19 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> RE: 202000055738 Note from [Redacted]to your Facebook Page Fergus Ewing MSP - SNP.</p> <p>Hello,</p> <p>Just to say as it will probably be next week you have a draft for this case, [Redacted] will be able to clear it.</p> <p>When you send him it though, be sure to let him know PO have chased.</p> <p>Thanks, [Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 03 July 2020 14:20 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> RE: 202000055738 Note from [Redacted]to your Facebook Page Fergus Ewing MSP - SNP.</p> <p>Hi [Redacted]</p> <p>Below is some wording I've used on other cases of a similar nature – though I think it's some of you own and [Redacted]wording 😊</p>

I've also copied in [Redacted] who is the DAT lead for Highland – [Redacted] would you be able to provide some further advice regarding the situation in Highland Council re 1140?

When the extent of the Covid-19 pandemic became clear, the Scottish Government took the difficult decision to suspend the statutory duty on local authorities to provide 1140 hours of ELC from this August. This was an extremely difficult decision, but one the Scottish Government considered necessary in the current circumstances.

I can advise that local authorities have a statutory duty to provide funded ELC to all entitled children in their area. The decision on how to allocate funded places is the statutory responsibility of each individual local authority. The Scottish Government cannot intervene in decisions on local admissions policies.

I understand that this is a very important issue, and that your constituent Ms Farrelly is concerned about how this will affect her family. I would encourage Ms Farrelly to engage with Highland Council about how best her needs can be met through the funded ELC options that are currently available. They can be contacted through their website at [https://www.highland.gov.uk/info/899/schools - grants and benefits/21/early learning and childcare](https://www.highland.gov.uk/info/899/schools_-_grants_and_benefits/21/early_learning_and_childcare)

I appreciate that the pause of the 1140 hours expansion may be disappointing for families. For further advice it may also be helpful to pass onto [Redacted] that the Parent Club is a fantastic resource with lots of information and advice for parents and carers. They have a dedicated page which has FAQs for parents about the reopening of ELC and schools - [www.parentclub.scot/articles/reopening-schools-faqs](http://www.parentclub.scot/articles/reopening-schools-faqs) and this is regularly updated with new information.

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 03 July 2020 13:47

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: 20200055738 Note from [Redacted] to your Facebook Page Fergus Ewing MSP - SNP.

Hi [Redacted]

I am working on the below MiCase regarding delivery of 1140 in Highland, does your side have anything we need to add in terms of the position in Highland when drafting?

Many thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted] **On Behalf Of** Minister for Children and Young People

**Sent:** 25 June 2020 11:58

**To:** Public Engagement Unit <[CorrespondenceUnit@gov.scot](mailto:CorrespondenceUnit@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** FW: Note from [Redacted] to your Facebook Page Fergus Ewing MSP - SNP.

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 25 June 2020 11:28

**To:** Minister for Children and Young People <[MinisterCYP@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterCYP@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** FW: Note from [Redacted] to your Facebook Page Fergus Ewing MSP - SNP.

Dear Maree

Please see below the enquiry received from my constituent [Redacted]

I would welcome your thoughts on the issue raised below.

Kind regards,



**Fergus Ewing MSP**

Member of Scottish Parliament for Inverness and Nairn

Scottish Government Cabinet Secretary for Rural Econom

A33	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 08 July 2020 10:23 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> Joint COSLA and SG comms - 1140 expansion <b>Importance:</b> High</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>All,</p> <p>You may all be aware of this already so sorry if I am adding to the load on your mailbox. The 1140 com is issuing today to all stakeholders so should be in the public domain shortly. We can now reference this were appropriate to do so.</p>
A34	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted]&gt; <b>Sent:</b> 17 June 2020 09:21 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> RE: 202000037997 - GOR - parent asking about 1140 - due 9 June</p> <p>Hi [Redacted] [Redacted]</p> <p>Yes, I am completely happy with the two year old lines.</p> <p>Many thanks [Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 17 June 2020 09:01 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> 202000037997 - GOR - parent asking about 1140 - due 9 June</p> <p>Hi [Redacted]</p> <p>Here is one of my overdue cases for clearance. This is a CEU case, and the response was due 9 June.</p>

They are asking about eligibility for the '30 hours' childcare scheme. I have clarified who is eligible for funded ELC, but then gone on to explain the changes to 1140.

[Redacted] – I have added in a short explanation on eligibility for 2 year olds too, are you happy with these lines?

Thanks,  
[Redacted]

A35

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 17 June 2020 09:41  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** 202000037997 - GOR - parent asking about 1140 - due 9 June - Some thoughts...

A compromise always helps – I think there is a future diplomat in there [Redacted]☺)))

Thanks,  
[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 17 June 2020 09:39  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: 202000037997 - GOR - parent asking about 1140 - due 9 June - Some thoughts...

Thanks for this [Redacted] [Redacted]

I agree, I wasn't sure if the 2 Y/O stuff was useful as she is asking very specifically about the 3 and 4 Y/O offer. I think I'll keep something in (i.e. a quarter of 2 year olds get it too) but cut it back as the link to mygov.scot gives the greater detail if she really wants it.

I'll get this away today – thanks!  
[Redacted]

A36	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 17 June 2020 12:25 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> 202000038707 Draft</p> <p> Draft Response.docx</p> <p>Hi [Redacted]</p> <p>Grateful for your thoughts on this 1140 Delay case that is due on the 19<sup>th</sup>,</p> <p>Many thanks, [Redacted]</p>
A37	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted]<b>On Behalf Of</b> ELC Partnership Forum <b>Sent:</b> 17 June 2020 16:58 <b>To:</b> SG Corona Virus Learning and Children &lt;SGCoronavirusLearningandChildren@gov.scot&gt;; ELC Partnership Forum &lt;ELCPartnershipForum@gov.scot&gt; <b>Subject:</b> RE: ELC1140 hrs</p> <p>Hi [Redacted]</p> <p>Sorry for the delay in coming back to you on this.</p> <p>I can confirm that we are taking this case forward,</p> <p>Thanks, [Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted]<b>On Behalf Of</b> SG Corona Virus Learning and Children <b>Sent:</b> 15 June 2020 16:14 <b>To:</b> ELC Partnership Forum &lt;<a href="mailto:ELCPartnershipForum@gov.scot">ELCPartnershipForum@gov.scot</a>&gt; <b>Subject:</b> FW: ELC 1140 hrs</p> <p>Hi,</p> <p>I think we've already forwarded this to you. I'd be grateful if you could confirm!</p> <p>Thanks</p>

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted] > **On Behalf Of** Coronavirus Public Enquiries

**Sent:** 08 June 2020 13:33

**To:** SG Corona Virus Learning and Children <[SGCoronavirusLearningandChildren@gov.scot](mailto:SGCoronavirusLearningandChildren@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** FW: ELC 1140 hrs

Hello

Please consider and respond to the correspondence below. If you think that the issue/s raised aren't for your area, please forward to - or process the reply in partnership with - the hub/s you believe can assist.

You may wish to send an acknowledgement to the person who has sent the correspondence, and add the details to MiCase.

**Please do not copy the CPE mailbox into replies or forwarding messages** (to avoid double handling and potential duplication).

Thank you.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 06 June 2020 11:21

**To:** First Minister <[firstminister@gov.scot](mailto:firstminister@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** Fwd: ELC 1140 hrs

Copy of e mail sent to a local councillor

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** [Redacted]

**Date:** 6 June 2020 at 11:17:16 BST

**To:** [Nicola.Sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot](mailto:Nicola.Sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot)

**Subject:** Fwd: ELC 1140 hrs

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** [Redacted]

**Date:** 6 June 2020 at 11:00:18 BST

	<p><b>To:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> ELC 1140 hrs</p> <p>Good morning [Redacted] I'm a registered childminder and have joint partnership with Falkirk Council. I was devastated to hear that the above is not going ahead in August, not just for me but for the parents whose children I care for. The financial implications for me and the families is huge. My income will now be greatly reduced, and may disappear completely! A further blow to my future plans as I am also a WASPI lady, aged 64, and having to keep working until I'm 66. One of my parents planned her 2nd pregnancy around the fact that at least one child's fees would be covered! She is now looking at childcare fees for 2 children in the near future. What makes this worse, is that the information was rolled out on social media, Twitter, at 5.30pm on Friday! I'm not on twitter like lots of people, and found out on a local, Facebook gossip page! Highly unprofessional and not acceptable given the enormity of the decision. This should at the very least, have been announced by Nicola Sturgeon in her daily updates. I am unclear if this was a financial decision or a social distancing issue. As my setting is very small, the risk is low. I would welcome your opinion/ feedback on this matter. Thank you [Redacted]</p>
A38	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>On Behalf Of</b> ELC Partnership Forum <b>Sent:</b> 17 June 2020 17:12 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] ELC Partnership Forum &lt;ELCPartnershipForum@gov.scot&gt; <b>Subject:</b> RE: Request for help by tomorrow noon - correspondence from [Redacted]</p> <p>Thanks very much [Redacted] – I'll get it added to the system.</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 17 June 2020 17:02 <b>To:</b> ELC Partnership Forum &lt;<a href="mailto:ELCPartnershipForum@gov.scot">ELCPartnershipForum@gov.scot</a>&gt; <b>Subject:</b> RE: Request for help by tomorrow noon - correspondence from Mary Rookes</p> <p>I'll take it – thanks.</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>On Behalf Of</b> ELC Partnership Forum <b>Sent:</b> 17 June 2020 16:57 <b>To:</b> [Redacted]</p>

**Cc:** ELC Partnership Forum <[ELCPartnershipForum@gov.scot](mailto:ELCPartnershipForum@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** RE: Request for help by tomorrow noon - correspondence from Mary Rookes

Hi [Redacted]

Sorry, I had seen the hubs email but was checking in with [Redacted] and [Redacted] as they hadn't come back to us yet.

Looks like it needs to be with our unit though. Is this a case you would have capacity to lead on?

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 17 June 2020 13:57

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

ELC Partnership Forum <[ELCPartnershipForum@gov.scot](mailto:ELCPartnershipForum@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** RE: Request for help by tomorrow noon - correspondence from [Redacted]

Thanks [Redacted]

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 17 June 2020 13:55

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Request for help by tomorrow noon - correspondence from [Redacted]

Hi [Redacted]

I've just responded to [Redacted] on this. I think this one would be best answered by partners and providers unit as it seems to be about the sustainability of this childminders business.

[Redacted] can give a contribution if required.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 17 June 2020 13:41

**To:** SG Corona Virus Learning and Children <[SGCoronavirusLearningandChildren@gov.scot](mailto:SGCoronavirusLearningandChildren@gov.scot)>

**Cc:** ELC Programme Office <[ELCProgrammeOffice@gov.scot](mailto:ELCProgrammeOffice@gov.scot)>; [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** Request for help by tomorrow noon - correspondence from [Redacted]

**Importance:** High

Thanks [Redacted]. Might be best we answer this one. Not sure why nobody responded to you when you've chased twice – sorry about that.

[Redacted] [Redacted] – grateful if you could confirm you're taking this case forward by tomorrow noon.

Best

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted] **On Behalf Of** SG Corona Virus Learning and Children

**Sent:** 17 June 2020 12:12

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: ELC1140 hrs

Hi [Redacted]

I hope all well with you.

I'm back in the Hub this week – and hey there's only 3 of us so it's actually even busier! I sent this to the ELC partnership a while ago but haven't heard back from them; I'm sure they will be just as busy!

So I just thought to ask if this is within your remit at all and if so are there lines that the Hub could use to respond to these queries?

Many thanks

Best

[Redacted]

A39

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 18 June 2020 11:25  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: 1140 Hours

Thanks [Redacted]– I will reassign just now 😊

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 18 June 2020 11:14  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: 1140 Hours

Hi [Redacted], yep for us. [Redacted] is on leave so can you send on to [Redacted] to pick up next week when he is back.

Cheers

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 18 June 2020 10:20  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: 1140 Hours

Hi [Redacted]

I have been assigned the case below on the system, however I think this might be a DAT case. Are you okay to take a look please and let me know if this is a case for your team?

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 10 June 2020 00:42  
**To:** Scottish Ministers <[Scottish\\_Ministers@gov.scot](mailto:Scottish_Ministers@gov.scot)>  
**Subject:** 1140 Hours

Good evening,

I wanted to express my sincere disappointment in the Scottish Governments decision to pull the 1140 hour scheme in 2020. Whilst I full appreciate the roll out of this programme was interrupted by the impact of Covid-19, it cannot be denied that excellent progress towards this had been made with 1240 hours already implemented in certain settings in local authorities.

It has become clear to me, in my local authority of Falkirk, via Twitter of all places, that my sons nursery will no longer be providing the 1140 hours he had already been receiving, time we had mixed between nursery and his childminder. This means my sons days at nursery will be cut short for 2020. These days are days we have not used our childminder, and so this space is quite rightly being used by another family. This is not for just now until things settle. This will be the case after recovery. No guidance in an official capacity has been rolled out to inform my family of this reduction from Falkirk. It is now 2 weeks before schools and a number of nurseries close for summer and I have no plan B. The childminder is already struggling for space and both myself and my partner are key workers so will be in work full time.

Despite the reduction to 600 hours the recruitment drive for EYOs continues. So with the staff, in phase 4, why can't the 1140 hours continue for the settings that had already provided the hours prior to Covid-19, as families had relied on these hours for work?

On top of the anxiety of finding a suitable place (which has space available) for my 3 year old in phase 4 I also have no idea where he (or my other school aged child) will be looked after during recovery when they are not in school 2 days a week and I am still expected to work. Or how I can be in 2 separate places for collection.

Dropping these hours will result in a higher demand for alternative childcare providers when the council will have their new influx of 1140 staff. Alternative childcare is limited, where will my children go? This will result in them coming into contact with even more 'bubbles' and therefore increase their risk. If my eldest goes to school then the childminder 2 days a week, then I need to find another childminder for him for the other 2 days or a hub place. If my youngest has his nursery days, and another place somewhere else if we're lucky, and our original childminder that means my children are meeting with 3 different settings each, per week. Combined with myself and my husband as key workers also contacting a vast number of people. The risk seems too much.

For the first time in my life as a parent I am considering leaving my profession to support the wellbeing of my children and family.

Communicating this withdrawal of much needed support to parents 2 weeks before the summer holidays is simply not good enough. On the same Falkirk 1140 page a survey was published to request places in nursery classes for August, even if you already were registered and attending in

	<p>March. This was never sent to me as a parent. And so 4 day's after it has been published I've stumbled on this crucial form on Twitter. Again, not good enough.</p> <p>We know how integral early years education is. We need to make this better for our youngest children and families. Especially for recovery.</p> <p>Kind regards [Redacted]</p>
A40	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 18 June 2020 16:35 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> 202000043372 Draft</p> <p>Hi [Redacted]</p> <p>I'd be grateful for your thoughts on the attached MiCase MR on 1140 delay which is due tomorrow.</p> <p>I suspect as this is an MR we will need to send it up to a C1 for clearance?</p>
A41	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 19 June 2020 08:45 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> For clearance - due 18 June- OR - [Redacted]- Mulberry Bush Montessori</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>Well done on this draft. I picked up a stray 'also' which I have now removed so this should once all the changes are accepted and the drat formatted should be good to go.</p> <p>I note a couple of the revised lines by [Redacted]so copying in [Redacted] so she can see these too.</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted]</p>

**Sent:** 18 June 2020 22:17

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: For clearance - due 18 June- OR - [Redacted] Mulberry Bush Montessori

Hi,

Thanks for this. Couple of minor comments in the attached.

Thanks



202000039743 (OR)  
due 1806.docx

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 18 June 2020 17:28

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** For clearance - due 18 June- OR - [Redacted]- Mulberry Bush Montessori

[Redacted]

Thanks to [Redacted] for this and much of the content is what you have cleared before. However, given the author I thought I should let you see. You will also note that Alison was also copied into this and I received that through [Redacted] so that I should reference too, although happy for that to come out if we do not think she will seek a separate reply from AC..

Grateful if you could clear when you get a moment.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 17 June 2020 13:59

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** For clearance due 18 June OR [Redacted] Mulberry Bush Montessori

Hi [Redacted]

Please see attached a draft response to [Redacted] about further provider support throughout recovery and future delivery of the 1140 hours expansion.

I've used our lines about the Working Group etc. and reopening guidance.

Many thanks,  
[Redacted]

A42

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 19 June 2020 08:56  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: 202000039903 – GR Due 22 June - Draft v1

Morning [Redacted]

I think this looks good – I have just suggested that we could add a reference to now being in Phase 2, and suggested popping in the links at the end where they can get further info.

See what you think 😊

Thanks,  
[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 18 June 2020 10:34  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** 202000039903 – GR Due 22 June - Draft v1



202000039903 – GR  
Due 22 June.docx

Morning [Redacted]

I have been working (intermittently) on the attached GR response that is due on Monday regarding 1140. The original enquiry is attached.

I have been using both templates to development answer for this, but would appreciate if you could review and let me know what you think.

Kind regards

[Redacted]

A43

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 19 June 2020 16:08

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** 202000043372 (MR) for clearance

Hi [Redacted],

With thanks to [Redacted] we'd be grateful for your thoughts on the attached MR to Richard Lochhead on the delay to 1140. This is drafted in line with recent cases on 1140, with minor adjustments as it's an MR, and with added lines on the support for childcare costs generally.

We had also included detail on the funding agreements however it was felt this detail wasn't needed.

This case is overdue, as such we'd be grateful for your thoughts as soon as you are able to offer them.



202000043372  
Draft.docx

All the best,

[Redacted]

A44

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 22 June 2020 16:11  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Request for lines - 1140 Funded Hours in GCC

I wonder if [Redacted] can provide a line on the funding point as the Financial working group met last week

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 22 June 2020 15:40  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Request for lines - 1140 Funded Hours in GCC

Thanks [Redacted]– I don't think there is anything specific around GGC that would be helpful to include apart from to say to keep in contact with them to continue to discuss further? Maybe something along the lines of:

I understand that this is a very important issue, and that you are concerned about how this will affect your family. I would encourage you to continue to engage with Glasgow City Council about how best your needs can be met through the funded ELC options that are currently available.

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 22 June 2020 14:08  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Request for lines - 1140 Funded Hours in GCC

Hi [Redacted]

This MR is due to PO 24 June.

Attached is a similar response we have had issued on funding, so I think I will use much of this for the GCC response too, along with information on the Working Group set up with the rep bodies. I just want ensure that there isn't anything GCC specific that I should include too?

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** P[Redacted]

**Sent:** 22 June 2020 13:19

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Request for lines - 1140 Funded Hours in GCC

Hi [Redacted]

I have 3 other OR cases that all relate to GGC – These cases are more around the placement of children rather than funding though. I had planned to start drafting replies today. When is the MR due?

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 22 June 2020 11:16

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Request for lines - 1140 Funded Hours in GCC

Morning

I think it might have been Mel as I haven't had any cases from GCC.

Cheers

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 22 June 2020 11:13

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Request for lines - 1140 Funded Hours in GCC

Hi [Redacted]

I can't remember if it was [Redacted] or [Redacted] dealing with these cases, copied above. [Redacted] will be online this afternoon.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 19 June 2020 16:50

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** Request for lines - 1140 Funded Hours in GCC

Hi [Redacted]

I am sorry for the delay in engaging with you on this case, it was originally assigned to our unit as an OR, but on looking at the email at the top, I have since noticed it is an MR therefore it will need to be answered sooner.

Given the shorter deadline, I am happy to keep this case and I am pretty sure I have lines on I can use already on the 1140 funding arrangements, however I am aware that your team have been dealing with other similar cases for GCC, would you therefore be able to provide any further lines for me to include please (or point to recent cases for me to take a look at)?

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted] **Behalf Of** First Minister

**Sent:** 10 June 2020 14:04

**To:** Public Engagement Unit <[CorrespondenceUnit@gov.scot](mailto:CorrespondenceUnit@gov.scot)>

**Cc:** First Minister <[firstminister@gov.scot](mailto:firstminister@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** FW: 1140 Funded Hours Correspondence History

AO – [Redacted]

Grateful if a response can be drafted for the relevant portfolio Minister to Nicola Sturgeon MSP, the correspondent is a constituent of the FM. With clarification on the following please-

In her undernoted email the Director of Education, Maureen McKenna states, “the Scottish Government has taken the sensible decision to remove the duty on local authorities to deliver 1140 hours in response to the COVID-19 situation”. The constituent asks, “is it correct that the councils have already received their 1140 ring-fenced funding? If so, how can GCC possibly be able to renege on this?”.

Thanks

	<p>[Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b></p> <p><b>From:</b> Sturgeon N (Nicola), MSP &lt;<a href="mailto:Nicola.Sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot">Nicola.Sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot</a>&gt; <b>Sent:</b> 07 June 2020 14:01 <b>To:</b> First Minister &lt;<a href="mailto:firstminister@gov.scot">firstminister@gov.scot</a>&gt; <b>Subject:</b> Fwd: 1140 Funded Hours Correspondence History</p> <p>Nicola Sturgeon MSP Glasgow Southside Constituency Office (constituent enquiries only)</p>
A45	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 23 June 2020 11:50 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> Comms following statement</p> <p><a href="#">For awareness for our discussion shortly.</a></p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 23 June 2020 11:46 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] <b>Cc:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> Comms following statement</p> <p>Hey, something to work on below. I'd suggest sending to sector recovery group, CCELC and then ELC leads following the statement. This will need to be ratified during the statement to check final wording.</p> <p>Dear</p> <p>Please find attached the Deputy First Minister's statement on Education Recovery Planning which he is delivering to Parliament now. The statement will again make clear that the scientific assumptions underpinning education recovery will be reviewed as part of the statutory three-weekly review process. This will include reviewing the approach to physical distancing in schools and equivalent measures in early learning and childcare.</p> <p>Deputy First Minister will make specific mention to ELC: <i>"If we are in a position to ease public health measures in early learning and childcare, particularly small group working, more children and families will be able to benefit from an expanded offer in the year ahead."</i> And that in parallel, we will continue <i>"to work in partnership with</i></p>

*local authorities to agree a new timetable for delivery of the 1140 hours entitlement to all eligible children.”*

This does not make changes, at this time, to the recently published ELC recovery guidance. We await the scientific advice and will share this with you through revisions to the guidance as soon as this is available.

[For CCELC email] We will call a meeting of the CCELC towards the end of the week and [Redacted] will provide details of this in due course.

[Redacted]

A46

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 24 June 2020 15:41

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: For clearance - MR - 1140 funding (constituent of FM) - due to PO 24 June

Thanks [Redacted], I will get this issued before signing off for the day.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 24 June 2020 15:14

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: For clearance - MR - 1140 funding (constituent of FM) - due to PO 24 June

Apologies for the delay in coming back to you [Redacted], your changes look good and happy to sign off.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 24 June 2020 09:19

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: For clearance - MR - 1140 funding (constituent of FM) - due to PO 24 June

Hi [Redacted] [Redacted]

Following [Redacted]'s feedback yesterday on the GCC case, I have tried to redraft the response a bit; changing the order to talk about 1140 being paused upfront and what parents can expect, and then moving onto the funding point that FM

specifically asked for clarification on afterwards. I have also tried to redraft the funding section a bit to make clearer that the funding is being used more flexibly than for funded ELC. I realise this still might need further tweaking though.

As I was writing this email, I also received the message attached from PO with a further message from FMs constituent in relation to this case.

I would be grateful if you would be able to review this case please, and let me know once you're happy for me to send to PO as it is due today.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 23 June 2020 15:01

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: For clearance - MR - 1140 funding (constituent of FM) - due to PO 24 June

Hi [Redacted]

Thank you, I think the letter is fine tone wise, on the substance can you check the two paragraphs below to be absolutely sure we want to say this. [Redacted] [Redacted] may have a view. As drafted this would read to a parent as if there are going to be 1140 funded hours available for their child, the lines work in the context of providing assurance that the capacity and the providers are being protected - but I'm not sure they work in the context of explaining whether a parent will get 1140 funded or not.

*Although there is no longer a statutory duty to provide 1140 hours from August, I can reassure your constituent that the **funding has not been suspended** and the Scottish Government have confirmed that the **ring-fenced early learning and childcare expansion revenue grant** will continue at the committed level for 2020-21.*

*Alongside local authorities, we have also **guaranteed that payments for the statutory ELC entitlement and any early phasing of expanded hours**, will continue for the duration of closures, regardless of whether providers are open or closed. The Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA) issued [guidance](#) on 24 March for commissioners of ELC provision on implementing this commitment.*

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 23 June 2020 14:52

**To:** [Redacted]>

**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** For clearance - MR - 1140 funding (constituent of FM) - due to PO 24 June

**Importance:** High

Hi [Redacted]

I have been working on the attached MR about 1140 funding that is due to PO tomorrow, 24 June, that I would be grateful for your views on before we issue please. The original correspondence is embedded within the word doc.

This case has been forwarded from the FM's office as it is someone from FM's constituency. FM's office have asked for a reply to be drafted from Ms Todd to Nicola Sturgeon MSP. I have spoken with [Redacted] in Ms Todd's office to check handling. Chris has confirmed to handle this as a normal MR from Ms Todd to FM as an MSP, and he will share with FM to make sure she's happy with it before formally sending.

[Redacted has very helpfully tweaked the language a bit as this is between Ministers, but neither of us were quite sure if any further tweaking may be required for these particular sort of cases?

Thanks,

[Redacted]

A47

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 24 June 2020 15:52

**To:** Minister for Children and Young People <MinisterCYP@gov.scot>

**Subject:** RE: 1140 Funded Hours Correspondence History

Thanks [Redacted]

I have now issued the case to you on the system. There is an attachment to go alongside the response too.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted] **On Behalf Of** Minister for Children and Young People

**Sent:** 24 June 2020 08:58

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** Minister for Children and Young People <[MinisterCYP@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterCYP@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** FW: 1140 Funded Hours Correspondence History

For info.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 23 June 2020 09:38

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** Re: 1140 Funded Hours Correspondence History

Good Morning,

I made contact initially on 5th June, see below, and on 11th June received an e-mail informing me that I have been assigned case number 202000046083. Other than this, I have received no response. In addition to the e-mails below, there is further correspondence between myself and GCC Councillors and Education Services - I don't want to bombard you by forwarding everything to you as I'm sure you understand where I'm coming from by reading the below e-mails but can provide you with everything if you want it.

I am aware that other families are as concerned as I am - here's a link to a Facebook group called Us For Them Scotland, which was created on 11th June and now has over 7500 members <https://www.facebook.com/groups/205702040479534/> and saw yesterday's front page article in the Evening Times - <https://www.glasgowtimes.co.uk/news/18532249.private-nurseries-fear-families-staff-1140-hours-postcode-lottery/>

At a grassroots level, I am deeply concerned by the way this policy is panning out - here's an example:

My nephew and my son are the same age and both attend the same partnership nursery within Glasgow City Council. My nephew lives in East Renfrewshire and my son lives in Glasgow. My nephew will receive 1140 funded hours and my son will receive 600!!!!

You have to agree that the above two lines make a very powerful point! This is a prime example of the postcode lottery referred to in the Evening Times. It is also going to deepen the disparity between the children of this country. This disparity will not be short lived. We all know there is a long term correlation between poverty/education/employment/health etc etc. We can't allow councils to do this to our children - GCC and the others who are opting out in August need to provide the 1140 hours to all nurseries that are in the position to safely offer 1140 funded hours. If GCC has opted out because they are ill prepared and the partnership nurseries are prepared and GCC doesn't fund anyone so as to not make themselves "look bad", someone from higher up the hierarchy needs to step in and have the 1140 hours rolled out in August where at all possible.

For this reason, I am again e-mailing all of you in the hope that one of you will take this on board, either as my constituency MSP, the Secretary for Education and Skills or the Minister for Children and Young People.

Without telling you what to do, we need to move on this quickly so as to allow nurseries, staff and parents to make plans for August.

I look forward to hearing from one of you at your earliest convenience.

Kind Regards

[Redacted]

A48

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 24 June 2020 16:22  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Overview of current P&P 1140 cases

Hi,

Thanks. Due to other pressures today I haven't had a chance to speak to [Redacted] but will email her tonight.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 24 June 2020 16:20  
**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Overview of current P&P 1140 cases

Hi [Redacted]

I wanted to let you know that since my email earlier we have had a couple more 1140 cases in. These are both very specifically about LA approaches (one Aberdeenshire and one Falkirk).

I wanted to flag these, as I am intending on sending these on to DAT colleagues in advance of your conversation with [Redacted].

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 24 June 2020 12:26

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** Overview of current P&P 1140 cases

Hi [Redacted]

[Redacted]and myself have chatted through this note, and hope it's useful for your catch up with [Redacted]. We're happy to be involved in any discussions if useful. This has been put together based on information from our tracker (<https://erdm.scotland.gov.uk:8443/documents/A27500131/details>), so it is just high level, and the numbers might not be absolutely perfect as things may have been issued/come in since writing. Hopefully it still gives you a broad idea of the 1140 cases currently sat with the unit though.

### Postponing 1140 cases

Number of cases: **23**

- The majority of cases (**15**) are from parents about access and funding (e.g. has SG already given LAs the funding for it, if so how come I won't get 1140 from August)
  - *6 cases due 30 June - 3 July;*
  - *6 cases due 7 – 14 July;*

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ 3 cases due 15 July and beyond.</li><li>● We also have a few cases (3) from providers, asking about the impact for them – due 3 – 13 July;</li><li>● There are also some cases (5) that are already being drafted/worked on, these fall into the categories above (mainly the parent one), but we understand that as these are due much sooner, it might not be feasible to hand these over – due 19-26 June.</li></ul> <p>I have attached 3 example cases, these are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● 202000046054 ([Redacted]) – this is an example of a parent case;</li><li>● 202000045114 ([Redacted]) – this is an example of a provider case;</li><li>● 202000048615 ([Redacted]) – this is an example where they are mentioning their local authority specifically.</li></ul> <p>Thanks, [Redacted]</p>
A49	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 25 June 2020 09:31 <b>To:</b> ELC Partnership Forum &lt;ELCPartnershipForum@gov.scot&gt; <b>Subject:</b> RE: Early Learning and Childcare reopening - independent sector</p> <p>Not yet, I think [Redacted] [Redacted] still to discuss.</p> <p>Looking at this case though, I would say this is for our unit given the PVI element? I am thinking these will be the sort of 1140 cases we keep.</p> <p>Thanks, [Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>On Behalf Of</b> ELC Partnership Forum <b>Sent:</b> [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> FW: Early Learning and Childcare reopening - independent sector</p> <p>Morning</p> <p>Has there been any discussion about 1140 cases yet?</p> <p>This one has just come into the inbox – and possibly is for Service Models – but then again – it might sit better in Hannah’s team with a contribution from SM re funding?</p>

Let me know if you have any ideas and or preferences!

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]> **On Behalf Of** ELC Programme Office  
**Sent:** 25 June 2020 09:17  
**To:** ELC Partnership Forum <[ELCPartnershipForum@gov.scot](mailto:ELCPartnershipForum@gov.scot)>  
**Cc:** ELC Programme Office <[ELCProgrammeOffice@gov.scot](mailto:ELCProgrammeOffice@gov.scot)>  
**Subject:** FW: Early Learning and Childcare reopening - independent sector

Suspect this one will come as a MiCase too.

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 24 June 2020 16:43  
**To:** [DirectorForEarlyLearningandChildcareProgramme@gov.scot](mailto:DirectorForEarlyLearningandChildcareProgramme@gov.scot); ELC Programme Office <[ELCProgrammeOffice@gov.scot](mailto:ELCProgrammeOffice@gov.scot)>  
**Subject:** Fw: Early Learning and Childcare reopening - independent sector

[Redacted]

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**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 24 June 2020 16:41  
**To:** [MinisterCYP@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterCYP@gov.scot) <[MinisterCYP@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterCYP@gov.scot)>; [DFMCSE@gov.scot](mailto:DFMCSE@gov.scot) <[DFMCSE@gov.scot](mailto:DFMCSE@gov.scot)>  
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**Subject:** Early Learning and Childcare reopening - independent sector

Dear Minister

I know you will have a full agenda, but wanted to raise an issue with partnership arrangements with independent nurseries, that has arisen from the Government's statement yesterday that:

*"If we are in a position to ease public health measures in early learning and childcare, particularly for small-group working, more children and families will be able to benefit from an expanded offer in the year ahead. In parallel, we continue to work in partnership with local authorities to agree a new timetable for delivery of the 1,140 hours entitlement to all eligible children."*

As you will know from meetings with not-for profit nurseries in the independent sector, some had indicated they would have to withdraw from local authority partnerships at the advent of 1140 hours, given the funding conditions placed upon them in terms of their existing extended hours/wrap-around care, extra-curricular activities and staffing of registered teachers etc.

With the suspension earlier this year of the roll-out of 1140 hours, in light of the Covid-19 crisis, schools had taken the lead from local authorities and Government to announce that partnerships would continue for another academic year, and indicated the costings to parents as a result.

As of yesterday, some local authorities - including the City of Edinburgh - have indicated that they would revery almost immediately to the previous declared arrangement, and that they intended to bring the timescale forward to October for compliance with this.

I am sure you will understand the concerns this has caused the nursery providers, as well as the parents, that the costs and availability of spaces have been placed in question having been confirmed for the year ahead - given all else they have done to provide as much capacity for key workers and others during this crisis.

We would be very grateful for your consideration of this issue, and of any possible extension that would allow the entirety of willing partnership nurseries to remain as such at least until the end of the 2020-21 session.

Kind regards

[Redacted]

A50

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 26 June 2020 14:40  
**To:** ELC Delivery Support <ELCDeliverySupport@gov.scot>  
**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Falkirk 1140 cases - parent campaign

Thanks [Redacted] I'll get these assigned across to you just now.

Do let us know if there's anything our unit can provide for the responses too.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted] > **On Behalf Of** ELC Delivery Support  
**Sent:** 26 June 2020 14:34  
**To:** [Redacted] ELC Delivery Support <[ELCDeliverySupport@gov.scot](mailto:ELCDeliverySupport@gov.scot)>  
**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Falkirk 1140 cases - parent campaign

Hi [Redacted]

Thanks for flagging, yes if you send them onto me that would be great.

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 26 June 2020 09:48  
**To:** [Redacted] >; ELC Delivery Support <[ELCDeliverySupport@gov.scot](mailto:ELCDeliverySupport@gov.scot)>  
**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** Falkirk 1140 cases - parent campaign

Morning [Redacted]

I forwarded the attached case to yourself in the Micase system this morning on 1140 in Falkirk.

[Redacted] was assigned a number of cases yesterday, and now having gone through all of them, it looks like several are identical (or very similar) to this one, but from different parents (i.e. looks like a bit of a parent campaign). Based on the cases

[Redacted] has been assigned, there's 7 cases (including the one attached) – not sure if there could be others sat with other folk too.

I just wanted to flag this and confirm that I am okay to assign them to yourself for now?

Thanks,  
[Redacted]

A51

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 29 June 2020 09:27  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Correspondence - four cases to clear (due 29 June, 30 June, 3 July and two overdue)

[Redacted]

On the parent case, for background, my understanding is that [Redacted] and [Redacted] are linked in with children and families colleagues who lead on vulnerable children and additional support needs. I looked over the vulnerable children FMQ note and the parts of the Hub core brief that GIRFEC unit colleagues lead on and didn't find anything useful.

That's why I liaised with [Redacted] in [Redacted]'s team and [Redacted]. [Redacted] is responsible for parental engagement in Learning Directorate. They agreed it was a tricky case but provided some useful lines. [Redacted] also provided useful lines on applying for critical childcare.

I copied you in throughout, so I would have hoped you would have recognised that I progressed that case quickly and carefully, and that I am very much alive to the issues of the case, and was surprised to hear otherwise. I will check with [Redacted] and [Redacted] but I have no reason to believe they will be able to provide anything new.

[Redacted], on the childminding case, thanks for your note. The childminder has written to her local councillor: I don't think we should be commenting on what Falkirk are doing with 1140 as that opens us up to a potential back and forth on that, but I take the point about highlighting SG's plans. What parents can expect will vary significantly from local authority to local authority, but I take the point about highlighting SG's stance. I'll look at the new case and take forward.

Thanks  
[Redacted]

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**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 26 June 2020 13:52

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Correspondence - four cases to clear (due 29 June, 30 June, 3 July and two overdue)

Thanks [Redacted]

[Redacted]

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**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 26 June 2020 13:50

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Correspondence - four cases to clear (due 29 June, 30 June, 3 July and two overdue)

Hi [Redacted]

Just to confirm that cases 42664 and 45755 have now been checked and issued on the system.

Many thanks

[Redacted]

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**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 26 June 2020 12:16

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Correspondence - four cases to clear (due 29 June, 30 June, 3 July and two overdue)

Hi [Redacted] [Redacted]

I have just been chatting to [Redacted] about this case.

Another case has come in through the Micase system yesterday from the same childminder. The case reference for the second case is 52179 which I have assigned to [Redacted] also.

[Redacted] and I have therefore agreed to hold off on issuing 48776, until [Redacted] is back in so that he can consider the issues in the new case too, and wrap up both cases in one response. From a quick look, I think the main issues raised are the same.

[Redacted] – [Redacted] and me have also chatted about the response itself. Looking at both cases the main concern from the childminder is 1140, and Falkirk's approach to this from August. I think the response will need to be adapted to more specifically talk about 1140, the funding expectations between SG and local government with their funded providers, what parents can expect from August etc. I think we perhaps need to touch base with DAT to see if they have any specific knowledge on Falkirk to add too? In the more recent case that has come in, [Redacted] also refers to blended care, so we will need to cover this point too. I have only looked at this briefly today, but happy to chat through/look at again on Monday if useful.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

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**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 26 June 2020 11:58

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Correspondence - four cases to clear (due 29 June, 30 June, 3 July and two overdue)

Hi

Yes happy to lock and load the cases you have outlined below. [Redacted] – just let me know once you are content with 202000048776 and I will upload this too.

Thanks

[Redacted]

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**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 26 June 2020 11:52

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** Correspondence - four cases to clear (due 29 June, 30 June, 3 July and two overdue)

**Importance:** High

Please see that responses below in the attached table that [Redacted] has put together.

I made a couple of request of you both largely to check my understanding in the light of the announcements this week. If you are content with these. [Redacted] are you content to lock and load on the system and despatch today?

[Redacted] – on return – you will note I am asking you to check with [Redacted]/ [Redacted] (if you have not already) if there is anything that has come through on their side like this. It's probably unlikely but it might be worth checking before despatch. ON the remaining case I'll need to speak to [Redacted] as to what we are going to do / say on cross-boundary issues. This may come up in the course of the conversation with COSLA/ADES next Monday on FFtC and the NS. I anticipate though that we could begin to see more of these more parents are looking to have their childcare needs met from August.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

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**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 24 June 2020 15:45

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** Correspondence - four cases to clear (due 29 June, 30 June, 3 July and two overdue)

[Redacted]

Table below with four cases for you to clear, and the email I sent on cross-boundary. (There might not be anything concrete we can say on this at the moment without the communication on FFtC and NS – previous correspondence on cross-boundary referenced heavily to past plans to implement FFtC by August 2020.)

The body of the text of the two nanny ones is the same.

I've agreed with [Redacted] that she will reply to [Redacted] / [Redacted] when DFM comes back on her submission.

If you forward the email, and then track any changes you have by opening the document and saving it, it will save in the table below. Then you can send the email back to me and I'll upload onto MiCase on Monday.

202000042664	Nannies	Due 29 June [Redacted] – thanks for agreeing to issue. I would welcome you checking over to ensure I have the current position right.	<< Message: Request for input - correspondence - cross boundary case - overdue >>
202000045755	Nannies	Due 30 June [Redacted] ditto above	<< File: Document1.docx >>
202000037325	Support for parents	Overdue 16 June I think if this has not been done before can we check with [Redacted] if there is anything they would wish to add – although they have the ASN brief and this is directed at support to children I do wonder if they have come across this before. I	<< Message: Correspondence - parent with chronic fatigue syndrome >> << File: 202000042664 - OR - Implications for Nannies - David Gallagher - due 29 June - LA comments.docx >>

			think as a Team we need to be more alive to the sensitivities of these kind of cases and attach some importance to responding quickly.	
	202000048776	Childminders	Due 3 July In order to get this out today [Redacted] can you check I have the current position and then confirm to [Redacted] so this can be loaded and despatched.	<< File: 202000045755 - OR - Implications for Nannies - Amy Niven - due 30 June - LA comments.docx >>
	202000036942	Cross-border	Overdue 15 June [Redacted], I'll pick this up with [Redacted] and hopefully have an answer by early next week. Sorry you have waited for an answer but as you know we are behind a bit but all trying to catch up... ahead of the next wave!!	<< File: 202000037325 - OR - Support for parents - Lauren Millar - due 16 June - LA comments.docx >>
	[Redacted]			

A52

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 29 June 2020 11:39  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Early Learning and Childcare reopening - independent sector

[Redacted]

This is on the system with me as 202000051892, so I'll take forward. If you have a duplicate just reject it from the system.

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 29 June 2020 11:26  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: Early Learning and Childcare reopening - independent sector  
**Importance:** High

Hi [Redacted] and [Redacted],

I have received the below micase from the Scottish Council of Independent Schools, I was wondering given [Redacted]'s previous work on independent schools if you would be happy to take this on? Or would this sit better under DAT?

Many thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 24 June 2020 16:41  
**To:** Minister for Children and Young People <[MinisterCYP@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterCYP@gov.scot)>; Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills <[DFMCSE@gov.scot](mailto:DFMCSE@gov.scot)>  
**Cc:** Head SFIO <[HeadSFIO@gov.scot](mailto:HeadSFIO@gov.scot)>; Scottish Ministers <[Scottish\\_Ministers@gov.scot](mailto:Scottish_Ministers@gov.scot)>; [DirectorForEarlyLearningandChildcareProgramme@gov.scot](mailto:DirectorForEarlyLearningandChildcareProgramme@gov.scot)

**Subject:** Early Learning and Childcare reopening - independent sector

**Importance:** High

AO – [Redacted]

Dear Minister

I know you will have a full agenda, but wanted to raise an issue with partnership arrangements with independent nurseries, that has arisen from the Government's statement yesterday that:

*"If we are in a position to ease public health measures in early learning and childcare, particularly for small-group working, more children and families will be able to benefit from an expanded offer in the year ahead. In parallel, we continue to work in partnership with local authorities to agree a new timetable for delivery of the 1,140 hours entitlement to all eligible children."*

As you will know from meetings with not-for profit nurseries in the independent sector, some had indicated they would have to withdraw from local authority partnerships at the advent of 1140 hours, given the funding conditions placed upon them in terms of their existing extended hours/wrap-around care, extra-curricular activities and staffing of registered teachers etc.

With the suspension earlier this year of the roll-out of 1140 hours, in light of the Covid-19 crisis, schools had taken the lead from local authorities and Government to announce that partnerships would continue for another academic year, and indicated the costings to parents as a result.

As of yesterday, some local authorities - including the City of Edinburgh - have indicated that they would revert almost immediately to the previous declared arrangement, and that they intended to bring the timescale forward to October for compliance with this.

I am sure you will understand the concerns this has caused the nursery providers, as well as the parents, that the costs and availability of spaces have been placed in question having been confirmed for the year ahead - given all else they have done to provide as much capacity for key workers and others during this crisis.

We would be very grateful for your consideration of this issue, and of any possible extension that would allow the entirety of willing partnership nurseries to remain as such at least until the end of the 2020-21 session.

Kind regards  
[Redacted]

A53

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 29 June 2020 13:33  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** I[Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: FOR CLEARANCE - GR - 202000042038 – Due 26 June - Action required

Hi all,

Nothing further or different to add.

Thanks,  
[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 29 June 2020 12:49  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** FOR CLEARANCE - GR - 202000042038 – Due 26 June - Action required

[Redacted],

This looks fine to me based on our current template lines. Thank you.

[Redacted] – just checking in with you (largely as things are moving at pace) that there is nothing further (or indeed different) we should be saying? Thanks in advance.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 26 June 2020 09:26

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: FOR CLEARANCE - GR - 202000042038 – Due 26 June

Hi [Redacted]

Would you mind taking a quick look over the attached response which is due today. Fran has already reviewed but this is from a paralegal/ so we are both a bit cautious.

Let me know if you think this is suitable to go.

Many thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 25 June 2020 15:10

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: FOR CLEARANCE - GR - 202000042038 – Due 26 June

Hi

Sorry for the delay.

Attached are some thoughts. I think we can shorten this a lot, and just stick to the 1140 bits, but add links at the end if they want further info?

I am also thinking you could may be add a link to the statement that was issued on the revocation as opposed to linking to the regs? Even though it's from a paralegal, I don't think we have to be too much more specific on the legal bit.

See what you think, I get really paranoid about not giving legal advice etc, therefore may be best to run by [Redacted] to check it's okay?

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 25 June 2020 14:48

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: FOR CLEARANCE - GR - 202000042038 – Due 26 June

No worries and no rush – it can go tomorrow 😊

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 25 June 2020 14:47

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: FOR CLEARANCE - GR - 202000042038 – Due 26 June

I'm so sorry I missed this [Redacted]! Will look just now 😊

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 25 June 2020 14:46

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: FOR CLEARANCE - GR - 202000042038 – Due 26 June

Hi [Redacted]

I know you are busy – so apologise for the chase up email, but I just wanted to bring this one to your attention as it is due tomorrow.

Many thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 23 June 2020 13:57

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** FOR CLEARANCE - GR - 202000042038 – Due 26 June

Hi [Redacted]

Please find attached a draft GR response in relation to the 1140 revoke.

This is slightly different in the fact that it is a paralegal asking the question about what is happening with 1140 (is it still going ahead) – so have tinkered with a couple of my recent 1140 cases to attempt something suitable – but as always, happy for your views.

Many thanks  
[Redacted]

A54

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 29 June 2020 13:41  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: IMPORTANT -read before looking through inbox/Micase

Hi [Redacted],

I have had a look through the cases and proposed a few cases to be redistributed, all of these are on the delay to 1140:  
[Redacted]

202000049237 (Due 16 July 2020)

1. Can you please commit to ensuring that the Scottish Government takes back control of this scheme and makes it mandatory for local authorities to offer the 1140 hours?
2. Can you advise if you cannot do this, how do you expect parents to cope when they are being told if you take up the option of 600 hours being offered you cannot use any other childminding services?
3. Why have East Ayrshire taken the decision to do this when they were ahead in some areas for offering the service (Kilmaurs, building almost finished and staff hired) when other local authorities are pledging to still offer these
4. What supports will you be putting in place for working parents who are financially impacted by this decision? (If I have to put both my sons in private childcare while my wife and I work, this will cost around £1,200).

202000048017 (Due 14 July 2020)

TGA nursery is fully set up for accommodating and providing the 1140hrs, so why is there a possibility that the full 1140 hours cannot be provided?  
GCC has a number of Council nurseries that already provide 1140 hours, so will they continue to receive this funding?

202000047294 (Due 13 July 2020)

Clarification over funded provision available, impact on private settings who have already spent to adapt settings / staff to 1140 requirements

[Redacted]

202000048615 (Due 15 July 2020)

Why are Aberdeen not delivering 1140?

202000046972 (Due 10 July 2020)

Will not be able to continue working without previous ELC provision

202000046054 (Due 09 July 2020)

1. Is funding still being provided to implement expanded hours?
2. Is the funding ringfenced?
3. Why if payments continued throughout this time to providers for continuity of capacity, authorities are now reducing funded places - I understand capacity will be reduced due to social distancing measures but this shouldn't affect the issue of whether the hours that are available are funded or not.

[Redacted]

202000047912 (Due 17 July 2020)

Lack of clarity around delay and potential postcode lottery concern

202000048508 (Due 14 July 2020)

poor comms from LA, looking for clarity that children will still receive 600 hours, and settings already providing 1140 will continue to do so.

202000051009 (Due 21 July 2020)

1140 will have a huge impact on parents from our setting. We have the space and capacity to deliver 1140, but the LA have said we can only provide 600. As well as impact on families, this will impact PVI settings viability.

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 29 June 2020 09:54

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** IMPORTANT - read before looking through inbox/Micase

**Importance:** High

Hi [Redacted],

I wanted to provide a bit of an update on your new cases that came in last week, before you look through the system, emails.

I managed to keep up with them all and actually all new ones that came in up until Thursday I reassigned, as they weren't for our team/you. You were also emailed 2 cases and I was copied in. Again, these cases weren't for us and I have reassigned to the appropriate people.

I didn't manage to keep up with the new cases on Friday though, so you will need to take a look at these and reassign as appropriate. The numbers are:

52964

52877

52724

52697

52668

52621

Lastly, I noticed you have a really high volume of cases. I think it's best we distribute these evenly throughout the team as others have less. Can I ask you today to prioritise looking at what cases you have, and reassigning some to me, [Redacted], and [Redacted] to even out the distribution a bit please? We can chat through this if you're not sure how best to do this. Also, please have a think about whether you need to chat to the PEU about being assigned most of the cases for our unit and whether they should be reassigning to others too for certain topics?

Also, if you ever get any new 1140 cases, please reassign to DAT as they should be leading on these cases **unless they are from a provider**, as we will lead on these ones. However, I know we're sat on a few 1140 cases at the minute, [Redacted] and [Redacted] still need to discuss these and whether we keep or transfer them to DAT.

Thanks,  
[Redacted]

A55

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 29 June 2020 13:57  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: For clearance - OR - 202000038707 - due 19 June

Hi [Redacted],

Very sorry for the delay in coming back to you on this case. [Redacted] has now cleared it, with a few further tweaks in the attached, and [redacted] has confirmed that her team have nothing further to add.

Given this, the attached is now ready to issue. Once the tracks are accepted, please give it a sense check before sending please 😊

Thanks very much,  
[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 29 June 2020 13:12  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** For clearance - OR - 202000038707 - due 19 June

[Redacted]

This looks but hold off 'til [Redacted] responds to [Redacted] on the draft I responded to earlier.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 29 June 2020 09:23  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** For clearance - OR - 202000038707 - due 19 June

Morning [Redacted],

Please see attached OR for clearance on 1140 delay.

Sorry this one is late, [Redacted] sent it to me and it's been sitting in my inbox for a while so it's completely my fault this is now overdue.

This parent is asking why some LAs can offer 1140 and others can't. They have also asked about the funding and why if that's in place, can't all LAs offer 1140. I have tried to make clear that yes, the funding is in place, but this money is being redeployed to support the pandemic response.



202000038707 Draft  
- OR - due 19 June.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

A56

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 10 June 2020 16:02  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: [Redacted]& [Redacted]- Session 2020/21 Nursery Place

Unfortunately not, sorry – it's been a long time since I've contacted any LAs directly. So if you can get as much info from them about their critical cover/ reopening/ and expansion plans that will mean our response that would be great as we can hopefully help resolve the issue rather than simply acknowledge it.

Let me know if you get stuck though and I can ask around for a contact.

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 10 June 2020 15:44  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: [Redacted]& [Redacted]- Session 2020/21 Nursery Place

Not yet, [Redacted] was going to email them if you're happy with that approach?

Do you have someone you'd suggest we contact in particular from their team?

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 10 June 2020 15:10  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: [Redacted]& [Redacted]- Session 2020/21 Nursery Place

Hi [Redacted]

No problem at all. Can I just check that we've managed to chat this over with E. Ren?

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 10 June 2020 15:05  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: [Redacted]& [Redacted]- Session 2020/21 Nursery Place

Thanks both!

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 10 June 2020 13:46  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: [Redacted]& [Redacted] - Session 2020/21 Nursery Place

Hi [Redacted],

[Redacted] will be able to clear this.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

A57

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 29 June 2020 09:59  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Constituency Queries re: impact on 1140 hours of nursery provision by GCC

Hi [Redacted],

Thanks. I also have a couple of cases on the 1140 delay, but I think we are still waiting for the joint communication following the JDB last week to be issued. I'll share the latest lines as soon as I hear anything.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 29 June 2020 09:42

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Constituency Queries re: impact on 1140 hours of nursery provision by GCC

Hi [Redacted],

No I don't think you came back yet [Redacted]. Thanks, I will get this on the system and assigned to you.

[Redacted] – are you able to provide [Redacted] with a contribution for the case below please. This case has correspondence from parents but also one provide too (see yellow highlight) on the 1140 delay. Are you able to send across the latest lines on this please? Let me know if I can help!

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 26 June 2020 14:54

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Constituency Queries re: impact on 1140 hours of nursery provision by GCC

Hi [Redacted]

Did I get back to you on this one? Sorry there's been quite a few the past few days. Can you forward this on to me as well?

I think I still have a copy of the reply you did regarding the funding, would that reply have lines I can use for this one?

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 25 June 2020 14:21

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: Constituency Queries re: impact on 1140 hours of nursery provision by GCC

**Importance:** High

Hi colleagues,

Sorry, we have been forwarded another case on 1140, are you happy for me to forward this case onto your team too, and then you can seek input from our unit (i.e. on PVI element) as required?

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 25 June 2020 12:13

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: Constituency Queries re: impact on 1140 hours of nursery provision by GCC

**Importance:** High

MR please

Hello

Please consider and respond to the correspondence below. If you think that the issue/s raised aren't for your area, please forward to - or process the reply in partnership with - the hub/s you believe can assist.

You may wish to send an acknowledgement to the person who has sent the correspondence, and add the details to MiCase.

**Please do not copy the CPE mailbox into replies or forwarding messages** (to avoid double handling and potential duplication).

Thank you.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 23 June 2020 10:59

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: Constituency Queries re: impact on 1140 hours of nursery provision by GCC

**Importance:** High

MR please

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 23 June 2020 02:03

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** Constituency Queries re: impact on 1140 hours of nursery provision by GCC

**Importance:** High

Good Morning,

A number of constituents and several nursery operators have contacted [Redacted] to convey their concerns about the recent changes to nursery provision. I have outlined some of the most common concerns below, *in italics*. [Redacted] would appreciate if formal response could be drafted on behalf of the Cabinet Secretary for the particular areas that it would be appropriate for the Scottish Government to comment on.

Kind Regards,

[Redacted]

***First Constituent***

*Thank you for your response. I have been in touch with Glasgow City Council as well, and my understanding is that the government still supports the provision of the 1140 hours, but they have removed the legal requirement for councils to deliver this by August and suggested that those funds should be used flexibly to support the COVID-19 response. The councils will continue to offer 600 hours of ELC funding.*

*I understand that these are challenging times and recognise that the council is trying to allow as many families as possible to access childcare. However, I still have some concerns about how the decision to divert funds from ELC to the COVID-19 response is going to impact childcare providers and families with young children. If nursery places are restricted for social distancing reasons, this is going to have a detrimental impact on the nurseries' ability to pay their running costs and staff salaries. How is the government going to support these providers to ensure that they remain financially viable and can continue to operate?*

*I also have concerns about what cash-strapped families are meant to do if they work full time but can only secure a part-time nursery place for their child. What are they supposed to do with their child the rest of the time? Some will have previously relied on grandparents for childcare, but as older people are vulnerable to COVID-19, this option is off the table for many families. Many parents already struggled to pay childcare bills prior to the crisis - if anything, they will be less able to do so now.*

*This decision has less of an impact on me personally than many other families; neither of my children is eligible for ELC funding this term, and I am able to work from home if I need to, although working from home with young children is far from ideal. Many other parents aren't so lucky. If they are unable to access local, affordable childcare, many of them will be forced to reduce their working hours or drop out of the workforce all together. I am particularly concerned about the impact that a childcare crisis could have upon women; studies have shown that the pandemic has already had a disproportionate effect on their careers, and losing access to childcare funding will only make it worse.*

*I only ask that the government treat childcare like the essential service that it is, and do everything possible to support it so that parents - and in particular mothers - can continue to work and support the economy.*

**Second Constituent**

*I have just been informed by my sons nursery that Glasgow City Council has decided to renege on its promise to offer 1140 hours of childcare to children in Partnership Nurseries.*

*Glasgow City Council have already received funding for the next 3 years in order to allow ALL children to access 1140 hours of free childcare. They are wilfully discriminating against children who attend private nurseries by allowing only children who attend GCC nurseries to access this funding.*

*It is wholly inappropriate that this scheme is being utilised in this way in order to bolster GCC nurseries whilst abandoning Partnership nurseries and the children who attend these settings.*

*I understand that the current pandemic may have caused infrastructure and timing issues, but it can't be used as an excuse to create a two-tiered system. Particularly when many private nurseries (and parents whose children attend them) have put things in place for August. Telling people at the start of June that they will no longer be eligible for the increased hours in August is unfair. Many parents are already struggling to put measures in place to return to work under the current circumstances, and this places further undue stress on them both financially and emotionally.*

*Many other councils have chosen to continue with their plan to offer the 1140 hours to everyone, as the scheme was intended. Clearly the pandemic has not impacted on their ability to offer inclusive childcare. Why have Glasgow City Council made this decision to exclude many children purely on the basis of where they attend nursery? This decision is going to have a hugely negative impact on many parents and their children, who for numerous reasons, are not able to attend GCC nurseries and are now at a distinct disadvantage.*

*The funding should follow the child, it should not be based on which setting they attend, and the money that was given to the council should be available to ALL children.*

#### **Nursery Operator**

*Please see attached email I've recently sent to Glasgow City Council. This follows the meeting held by them on Monday when they announced that the Glasgow partnership nurseries would not be receiving 1140 hours funding as previously promised from August 2020. I'm sure you can imagine this came as a complete shock to us as we had, up until that point, been advised to continue to prepare to deliver the 1140 hours.*

*I contacted you via twitter last night ([Redacted]) This funding is vital to our nurseries and I'd appreciate your assistance in raising this issue. The temporary closure of the nursery following the COVID-19 pandemic is hard enough however, losing our funding will be a disaster.*

*It's already been stated that partnership nurseries are vital to the delivery of the 1140 hours for the children of Glasgow and I'm seriously concerned at how we are meant to be continue following this decision. We are worried for the children and the staff.*

*Unfortunately, myself and other Glasgow Providers were really surprised and upset by the news that we were no longer being funded for 1140 hrs.*

*We obviously understand that this is an unprecedented situation, but feel that you made an obligation to us and it should be fulfilled. The SG paid for 1140 to GCC for the next 3 years in April 2020.*

*[Redacted] presented to the Education Committee in March and stated that 78% of LA Nurseries were providing 1140. My question is: If GCC can afford this for LA why can't they afford it for Partner Nurseries? Also, we have been told all along that when an LA Nursery near me gets 1140 then so will I. This has not been the case. Why is that?*

*SG wrote to all LA's on 15/5/20 to allow you to use other pots of money to help in the Covid 19 response. (See excerpt of letter below). So, there are other revenue streams available to you, in addition to the 1140 funding, that you have already received from the SG for the next 3 years and there is no money available for Private Providers Could you explain why that is please?*

*You asked me specifically, who told us that we couldn't charge Parents whilst closed. Sorry, but I'm not very technical and couldn't figure out how to unmute myself on the chat. We received a letter written on behalf of you Heather to inform us not to charge parents. (See copy below). We were also advised by the CMA (Competition and Markets Authority) not to charge and they would be investigating anyone who has.*

*[Redacted] mentioned that he doesn't think anyone should be 'profiting' from this situation. And we should be using our funding money as a "cushion" With all due respect, [Redacted], it appears that you are not aware of the real situation that we are in both financially and mentally. There is absolutely no way that anyone is 'profiting'. It's the complete opposite:*

*Funding % to be used toward furlough claim, so can't claim 80%.*

*No Private fees coming in from 24/3/20.*

*No 1140.*

*Less children allowed back.*

*Extra staff (floaters) when we go back to enable bubbles.*

*Installing extra hand washing facilities.*

*Extra staff to clean in between bubbles.*

*Could you please tell me where our “cushion” is? How is all of this going to be sustainable with no 1140, reduced fees (because we can take less children) or any extra money coming in from anywhere.*

*I would be delighted to work collaboratively to resolve these situations.*

A58

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 30 June 2020 14:09  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: NLC 1140 Micase

Hi [Redacted]

I am looking to respond to the case that had been allocated to you (202000043542). This is an MR from [Redacted] (which is now well overdue – it was **due 19 June**) and links to [Redacted] and NLC.

Just for info, [Redacted] has approved my suggested lines for inclusion in the NLC case (see below), however she has just received a copy of the NLC comms and thought it might be useful for the team to be aware of.

[Redacted] has responded recently to [Redacted]– so I will tie in with both [Redacted] and [Redacted] on this one.

Many thanks  
[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 30 June 2020 13:36  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: NLC1140 Micase

Hi [Redacted]

Your response looks grand. I actually received the comms this morning from NLC, attached for info

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 30 June 2020 12:36

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** NLC1140 Micase

Hi [Redacted]

I have been allocated a couple of Micases (one which is an MR and well overdue) regarding postponing 1140.

The attached both relate to North Lanarkshire Council and there communication that they were not going to deliver 1140. However I understand that from the comments made by Alison at Huddle yesterday – that NLC **WILL** now be delivering 1140.



NLC 1140 project  
update – funded pri

Do you have any specific lines or details/some context around the situation in NLC that I could use to include in my responses?

I was going to simply state something along these lines, that “ *Since you wrote, it is my understanding that North Lanarkshire Council have reneged on their original communication that advised that they would not be able to deliver 1140 hours from August 2020. I would recommend that you contact the North Lanarkshire Council Early Years Team to discuss/I would recommend that you visit the NLC early years website to see what their new arrangements mean for you*” **Does this sound okay?**

Any advice would be really appreciated.

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 10 June 2020 07:51  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** For action - Highland MR  
**Importance:** High

Morning [Redacted]

You ok to tidy this up and get it on its way.

Can you also arrange to remove the 'contract' para as it seems this may be an area of considered discussion between the SG and CoSLA!!

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 10 June 2020 06:38  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: For action - Highland MR  
**Importance:** High

Hi,

Following feedback from [Redacted] and [Redacted], a further update to remove the paragraph relating to contracts.

Can we also remove the related paragraph from the template document please. I appreciate that this line was in the previous letter on 1140 hours, but we are now in the process of working with COSLA regarding an updated (joint) position on 1140 hours, including funding (initial outline of the agreement will be discussed at the Finance Working Group on Monday).

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 09 June 2020 10:47

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: For action - Highland MR

**Importance:** High

Hi [Redacted],

Thanks for this.

I have suggested a couple of additions and moved some text around.

Given the sensitivities in Highland at the moment I have copied in [Redacted and [Redacted] just to check this ([Redacted] – I try to limit the number of cases that I forward on, but given the points on THC at the call with DFM and Ms Todd yesterday, just wanted to check that this is strong enough).

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 09 June 2020 09:09

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: For action - Highland MR

Hi [Redacted] and [Redacted],

[Redacted] and me have been working on an MR on 1140 hours funding for a case from Highland from Fergus Ewing MSP who is writing on behalf of parents in his

constituency. The original correspondence is embedded within the attached word doc.

With thanks to [Redacted] for his points below, I have tried to strengthen this draft to make clear that although the stat duty isn't in place from August, the SG funding remains in place using lines from the [childcare core brief](#).

Given the particular sensitivities in Highland, we would be grateful for your thoughts on this one please before we send up to PO. [Redacted] from PO has been chasing this case, so we are trying to get this to PO as soon as we can.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 08 June 2020 17:26  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: For action - Highland MR

Hi,

I'm a bit confused, in that I don't think we can see the whole of the original enquiry, but it seems that the question somewhat whether we (SG) have withheld 1140 funding when we revoked the duty, which we didn't. This then leads on to whether parents/providers will get the money from HC, which is a decision for HC. However, when dropping in the reference to the funding flexibility we should be clear that we have not reduced funding to HC.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 08 June 2020 15:55  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** For action - Highland MR

Hi [Redacted]

We would be very grateful for your help with a ministerial response on 1140 funding in Highland Council please that we are currently working on as we understand that there are some particular sensitivities at the moment for this LA.

In the attached is the original correspondence and a draft response that we are working on.



finalResponse-2020  
00041133.pdf



Letter from the  
Scottish Governmen

Are we able to say anything more than what we have already drafted? If we are, would you be able to send us a contribution please?

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 05 June 2020 12:26

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** For clearance - MR - 41133 - due to PO 10 June but PO asked for sooner if possible

Hi [Redacted]

Please see attached MR for clearance regarding the continued funding for 1140. This response is technically due to PO 10 June, however, PO have asked if we can get it to them sooner as per the emails below.

The original correspondence is embedded within the attached. Grateful for your thoughts – I'll admit, I did find this one a little difficult to unpick.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 04 June 2020 15:01

**To:** Minister for Children and Young People <[MinisterCYP@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterCYP@gov.scot)>

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Child Care

Hi [Redacted],

No problem, I'll adjust in the system and work on getting a draft to your office as soon as I can.

[Redacted] – just copying you in for awareness. I'll get a draft to you shortly.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted] **On Behalf Of** Minister for Children and Young People

**Sent:** 04 June 2020 14:45

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** Minister for Children and Young People <[MinisterCYP@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterCYP@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** FW: Child Care

Hi [Redacted]

Please see the message below. The original email is on MiCase – 202000041133. Could you change it to a response from Ms Todd?

Mr Ewing has also chased today so anything you can do to get them a quick response would be much appreciated.

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 27 May 2020 16:27

**To:** Minister for Children and Young People <[MinisterCYP@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterCYP@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** FW: Child Care

Dear Maree

On reflection, I think that the matter below will be within your portfolio and I would therefore welcome your thoughts on this matter.

Kind regards,



**Fergus Ewing MSP**

Member of Scottish Parliament for Inverness and Nairn  
Scottish Government Cabinet Secretary for Rural Economy

Office of Fergus Ewing MSP, 112 Church Street, Inverness, IV1 1EP

Telephone: 01463 713 004



**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 27 May 2020 15:26

**To:** Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills <[DFMCSE@gov.scot](mailto:DFMCSE@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** FW: Child Care

Dear [Redacted]

I have been dealing with an on-going case regarding future funding for an after school club.

To-day I have been notified from one of the councillors aiding the community in this matter that a further problem has been raised with regard to the future funding application.

Within the body of the response received, the information below has been provided:

**“These two points being satisfied we advised HC that the Daycare Centre could temporarily continue come August until December, when it will be reviewed or the permanent provision will be put in place. My understanding is that the 1140 statutory requirement and therefore funding has been postponed by the Scottish government and this is a nationwide issue and one which I’m sure many parents throughout Scotland will be dismayed by, at the realisation of how unfair this is. Parents who already get the funding will continue to get it, but those that should have got it come August simply won’t. HC will need to confirm if they have or have not received 1140 funding as Stans last email has questioned, because it was my understanding that they have not received funding, and won’t come August as they won’t be providing the childcare, hence why the Trust has been asked to support.”**

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202000041133 MR  
- Current Funding fo

I would be very grateful to received clarification on this matter.

Kind regards,

*Fergus Ewing*

A59

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 11 June 2020 09:46  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: MR Micase

It is isn't it! – thanks for the quick response too.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 11 June 2020 09:45  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: MR Micase

It's always nice when that happens!

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 11 June 2020 09:44  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: MR Micase

Ahh perfect – one less one to do! 😊

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 11 June 2020 09:43  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: MR Micase

Hi [Redacted]

This is a duplicate case – I have already provided a response to this for Ms Todd (it was originally for DFM, but Mr Ewing followed up later to say it was for Ms Todd).

The case ref: is 202000041133.

This means you can just withdraw your case from the system (sorry for the confusion).

Thanks,

[Redacted] *am working from home today*

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 11 June 2020 09:30

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: MR Micase

Hi [Redacted]

How are you? I have received the below Micase and I'm looking for wording on funding for 1140 as below it's states that funding for 1140 has been postponed – I didn't think that this was the case? Would you be able to offer some lines on this?

Thanks

[Redacted]

I think that there are some similar cases that [Redacted] and [Redacted] have done recently on this issue. It will be for LA's to decide whether or not they can deliver 1140 come August and how to allocate places. Could you check with Fran on the funding – I'm sure the funding hasn't been postponed but not 100% sure.

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A60

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 11 June 2020 18:09  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Removal of 30 hours for nursery children

Hi [Redacted],

Apologies for coming back late in the day. My colleagues [Redacted] [Redacted] will be able to provide some lines on the position with 1140 ELC hours for this response.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 11 June 2020 12:35  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: Removal of 30 hours for nursery children

Hi [Redacted]

Apologies – another one you may be able to help with.

Thank you,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 11 June 2020 11:50  
**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Removal of 30 hours for nursery children

Sorry, [Redacted], though as this deals with the mechanics of nursery provision rather than critical childcare in schools, maybe [Redacted] would be better placed to advise?

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 11 June 2020 11:39  
**To:** [Redacted]  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: Removal of 30 hours for nursery children

Hi both, apologies for the range of emails this AM.

Do we have any lines to take or do we ask Nicola to go back to Falkirk Council?

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Sent:** 10 June 2020 13:18  
**To:** First Minister <[firstminister@gov.scot](mailto:firstminister@gov.scot)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Removal of 30 hours for nursery children

----- Forwarded message -----

**From:** [Redacted]  
**Date:** 10 Jun 2020 13:10  
**Subject:** Removal of 30 hours for nursery children  
**To:** [Nicola.Sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot](mailto:Nicola.Sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot)  
**Cc:**

Hi [Redacted]

I hope this find you well, I am looking for some guidance, I attached below an email I sent to John Mcinallys office, I understand that in current climate responses are taking longer, but I was given 7 days to respond to my local council and that end date is Friday, and clarity you can provide would be gratefully appreciated. I also contacted sealock house direct who deal with placements for falkirk council etc but again no response.

Hi John,

I was made aware of a rather vital tweet put out by falkirk council advising that all ELC nursery children need to put in a request for nursery attendance for either the start of the week or the end of the week, and that the previous funded 30 hours offered by the Scottish government are now half. The form has to be completed by 12th.

The details given by the council are sparse to say the least, I have 4 children, I am a key worker working for dwp. As it stands the removal of half the nursery hours makes my work near impossible. I cannot pick either the start or end of the week as I do not know what my children at school will be offered. Has the removal of the 30 hours been put in place due to covid? Will the full hours be reinstated once schools go back full time, whenever that may be?

Falkirk council are led by instruction from Scottish government they say, so when will clear instruction be given on when nurseries will return? when will we get the funded 30 hours previously in place, from what I gather schools weren't advised of this announcement, why does falkirk council think a tweet with little information sent at 5:30 on a Friday night is beneficial?

Thanks for any guidance you can provide on this very worrying time.

Thanks [Redacted]

Thank you for taking the time to contact me. If you are a constituent, we will endeavour to process your enquiry as quickly as possible, all other enquiries will be dealt with in due course.

Please accept this message as an acknowledgement of your email.

Due to COVID-19, my office is currently closed to face to face interaction and all of my surgeries are suspended. My staff and I are still working, but to ensure that casework is prioritised we may not be able to respond to campaign emails during this time.

Best wishes

John McNally MP  
Falkirk Constituency

A61

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 15 June 2020 11:58  
To: [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]  
Cc: [Redacted] Subject: RE: Early leaning education

Hi [Redacted],

Can you send to [Redacted] please.

Cheers  
[Redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 15 June 2020 11:24  
To: [Redacted]  
Cc: [Redacted]  
Subject: RE: Early leaning education

Hi [Redacted],

Many thanks for this, I still have 3 Glasgow cases sitting with me in the system, can you confirm DAT are now happy to take these on and who these should sit with on MiCase if so?

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

202000044585 Due – 07 July - Parent effected by 1140 delay in GCC complaining that the council have removed the funding for private partner providers but are continuing to provide 1140 through council nurseries.

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 15 June 2020 09:41  
To: [Redacted]  
Cc: [Redacted]  
Subject: RE: Early leaning education

Hi [Redacted], think these cases have been passed over to us now

[Redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: 09 June 2020 15:40  
To: [Redacted]  
Cc: [Redacted]  
Subject: RE: Early leaning education

Hi [Redacted]

	<p>We have started receiving a few cases regarding Glasgow City Council place allocation for ELC settings. It would seem in some of these cases that the issues have been caused by the delay to 1140, but in other cases such as the one below they do not make mention of the delay.</p> <p>Is this an issue you are aware of and do you think this would be an issue more for the Delivery Assurance side of things to take forward?</p> <p>Grateful for your thoughts when you next get the chance.</p> <p>Many thanks, [Redacted]</p>
A62	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 08 July 2020 15:21</p> <p> 202000046539 Draft.docx</p> <p><b>To:</b> [Redacted]&gt; <b>Subject:</b> 202000046539 - OR - [Redacted] (Parent) - 1140 Delay - Due 09 July</p> <p>Hi [Redacted],</p> <p>Please see the attached case for clearance.</p> <p>Kind regards, [Redacted]</p>
A63	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 08 July 2020 16:55 <b>To:</b> [Redacted]<b>Subject:</b> FW: 202000045114 - OR - [Redacted] (provider) - 1140 Delay - Due 07 July</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>I've reworked this a bit in the light of the Joint Comms letter issuing. See what you think. Otherwise good to go!</p> <p>[Redacted]</p>

<p>A64</p>	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 01 July 2020 09:24 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> 202000043372 Draft - FI</p> <p>Hi [Redacted],</p> <p>I'm sorry I took so long to look at this one – won't happen again!</p> <p>Just a couple of suggestions.</p> <p>[Redacted] - I think this is also a good case to highlight/consider when thinking about EQIAs. Might be worth keeping a note of the micase reference somewhere? Davie, do you think that's something that can be added to the log? Useful references to inform EQIAs or deferral policy?</p> <p> 202000043372 Draft [Redacted] - KT comments.docx</p>
<p>A65</p>	<p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 03 July 2020 13:37 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> RE: Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries</p> <p>Hi [Redacted]</p> <p>Many thanks for taking these on, it is much appreciated! These should be with you on the system now.</p> <p>All the best, [Redacted]</p> <p><b>From:</b> [Redacted] <b>Sent:</b> 03 July 2020 13:31 <b>To:</b> [Redacted] [Redacted] <b>Subject:</b> RE: Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries</p>

Hi,

Yes, happy to take these cases.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 03 July 2020 13:23

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries

Many thanks for this,

Would you be happy to take on the [Redacted]MR that came through today as well as the other one indicated below?

**[Redacted]**

**55952 – Due 17 July – Keith Brown MP – 1140 Delay** – (this has PVI sustainability elements)

Parents having to pay for additional (top-up) childcare due to reduction, Parents unsure of when will 1140 will be reinstated and effects to sector/economy.

**From:** [Redacted] **BehalfOf** ELC Partnership Forum

**Sent:** 03 July 2020 10:42

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries

Hi [Redacted]

I'm happy to help with this case and/or MRs.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 03 July 2020 10:38

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries

H [Redacted],

If [Redacted] is happy to take this one on I will send it over.

However I do note though the pass few days I've been allocated quite a few MRs, if people have capacity I would rather spread these cases out a bit first.

Kind regards,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]>

**Sent:** 03 July 2020 10:05

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries

Thanks both.

[Redacted], in terms of the [Redacted] case, as you have quite a lot of cases on the go and [Redacted] has very kindly offered, should [Redacted] take this case on?

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 03 July 2020 10:04

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries

Ok, great, thanks for the update.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 03 July 2020 10:03

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries

Hi [Redacted]

Went back to [Redacted] earlier, going to take on one of the cases, and apparently the other case is from [Redacted], so may well be a duplicate. Unfortunately I can't open that attachment though so I've asked him to re-send it.

Kind regards,

[Redacted] [Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted] **Sent:** 03 July 2020 10:00

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries

[Redacted] [Redacted]

I hope you are well today.

Can you advise if the cases [Redacted] refers to have been reviewed? I understand from [Redacted] email sent to ELC inbox yesterday that one of these we have already responded to - it is correspondence from [Redacted] some weeks ago.

Has anyone taken the case from [Redacted] (happy to take this forward myself).

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 03 July 2020 08:58

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries

Hi [Redacted]

Sorry to chase this – I finish up today for 2 weeks leave and conscious that the attached cases are due soon. Did you get the chance to review the cases?

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 02 July 2020 09:28

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries

Hi [Redacted]

Thank you so much.

I've received a few more micases from private nurseries. They're not asking about critical childcare provision so I'm unable to reply. could you have a look at the attached cases and let me know if this is for your area and who I should allocate to

Thanks

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 01 July 2020 15:45

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries

Hello,

Just emailing to confirm that we have picked this case up and someone in our team is taking it forward.

Thanks,

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 01 July 2020 12:34

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** RE: Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries

Copying the ELC Partnership Mailbox for the team to action

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 01 July 2020 11:31

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries

[Redacted], there is a question below specifically about private nurseries and a petition, we don't know the background but as [Redacted] says it is not about critical childcare.

Can your team pick up on the response please?

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 01 July 2020 11:18

**To:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** FW: Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries

Hi [Redacted]

This has come to me through Micase –would it be for education to lead on, as its not specifically critical childcare and I'm not aware of the petition.

[Redacted]

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 01 July 2020 08:05

**To:** [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** Urgent - FTDGE - Due 08/07/2020 – ELC – Petition to Support Private Nurseries

OR please

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 01 July 2020 06:54

**To:** [Redacted] [Redacted] [Redacted]

**Cc:** [Redacted]

**Subject:** Petition to Support Private Nurseries

Dear all

I am writing regarding the petition to Support Private Nurseries Through Covid19.

As parents who work full-time, having a safe and nurturing environment for our young child is the only way we can carry on working.

We are very concerned about the lack of funding for private nurseries as the lack of childcare will have a serious impact on the ability of parents to stay in work. More concerningly, this is likely to disproportionately affect women as they tend to be the primary caregivers.

We ask that you consider the huge support garnered by the petition and the impact the current situation is having on young families.

Best wishes

[Redacted]

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