

Minutes: Meeting with Members of the Trans Rights Youth Commission
Thursday 28 March, 11.00-11.45, Scottish Parliament.

Attendees

- Shirely Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice
- Emma Roddick, Minister for Equalities, Migration and Refugees

External

- Mhairi Crawford, Chief Executive, LGBT Youth Scotland
- [REDACTED under section 38(1)(b) of FOISA – personal information], LGBT Youth Scotland
- Members of the Trans Rights Youth Commission.

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- [REDACTED under section 38(1)(b) of FOISA – personal information], LGBTQI+ Equality Team

1. The Cabinet Secretary welcomed the Trans Rights Youth Commission and LGBT Youth Scotland Staff to the meeting before handing over to the Youth Commission Members to chair the meeting.
2. The Cabinet Secretary provided an update on the Gender Recognition Reform Bill and expressed her disappointment in the outcome of the legal challenge to the UK Government's section 35 order.
3. This was followed by a discussion on the Ending Conversion Practices Bill and the Minister provided an update on how young people had been engaged with during the consultation period.
4. The Minister also provided an update on the implementation of the Non-Binary Equality Action Plan, highlighting this as a priority.
5. Youth Commission Members then discussed the impact that the recent ban on rainbow lanyards in Parliament had on them and their experience of visiting Parliament in the wake of this.

6. The Meeting finished with the Cabinet Secretary, Minister and Youth Commission Members agreeing to continue to engage going forward.

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