Clarifications on Conveners letter from 21 Sep 17 meeting

Please see below extracts from the letter sent. I have highlighted and annotated two areas where there has been a slight misunderstanding.

You accepted that there was room for improvement in relation to those children returning to school after a period in EOTAS also known as the revolving door. We heard that progress is gradually being made to ensure that it is much clearer at the outset about a move to a PRU with the originating school; ensuring expectations are shared about the pupil's return back to the school. We were encouraged to hear about the memorandum of understanding that has been agreed with schools detailing the support that will be provided to enable children to return to school. There is not as such a memorandum of agreement in place — apologies if this impression was given. There is a clear memorandum of understanding around Managed Moves in Swansea. At present in relation to pupils returning to school, we have started agreeing the expected timescales for re-integration very clear with the individual school and the pupil and family during the admission meeting. We are in the process of firming up documentation to provide greater rigour around this, and this will be in place by the end of October 2017.

We were pleased to hear that good progress is being made with leadership, in raising standards and developing the curriculum in the PRU. We heard that the PRU is now providing a good academic and vocational offer and also importantly is including the Digital Competency Framework and the Literacy and Numeracy Framework across the curriculum. The Panel were pleased to hear about the behaviour self-evaluation toolkit for schools that has been designed and that this will form part of the Challenge Advisors visit. The self—evaluation toolkit is in the process of being developed but is not complete at this current time. I would hope that this is complete by the end of the Autumn Term 2017

I hope that the above helps to clarify the position,

Many thanks,

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