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Scrutiny Panel

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Dear Councillor Hood-Williams

### **Child and Family Services Scrutiny Performance Panel**

Many thanks for your detailed and constructive feedback to the Child and Family Services Scrutiny Performance Panel report, following the meeting of the Panel on 24 March 2021. Your interest in the topic and the discussions had within the meeting were greatly appreciated by the team, and your comments were noted and will be incorporated into our continued work and planning.

I note that you raised two specific queries, the responses for which are below.

#### **1. Information on how the Panel can assist with lobbying Welsh Government regarding mainstreaming of grant funding**

In response to this, I request the permission of the panel to submit your comprehensive letter to the Welsh Government VAWDASV team, and ask for a response as to have we can move this forward.

#### **2. Training to be put in place for all councillors as governors to raise awareness**

We will plan and deliver a number of training sessions on 'Awareness and Understanding of Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence', within a Swansea context. These will be held online via Microsoft Teams, and will be available to all councillors. In addition to this, there are a series of videos available, named 'The Strengthening Leadership Series', which was developed by Welsh Government and Welsh Women's Aid. These are aimed at people in public leadership roles, which we will circulate to councillors for viewing. The films offer short bursts of information which can be used to shape strategic direction, and improve knowledge.

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I hope the above information is of use, and please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information,

Yours sincerely



**Cynghorydd / Councillor Louise Gibbard Dyfnant/ Dunvant**

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