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Subject: Middlesbrough Council People Scrutiny Panel - Children Missing Education (CME)

Dear Headteachers,

I am writing on behalf of the Chair of Middlesbrough Council's People Scrutiny Panel, Edward Clynch, to gather the views of schools in relation to the current Scrutiny Topic - 'Children Missing Education (CME)'.

The principal power of a Scrutiny Committee is to influence the policies and decisions made by the Council and other organisations in delivering public services. The Scrutiny Committee gathers evidence on issues affecting local people and makes recommendations based on its findings.

The Middlesbrough Council People Scrutiny Panel would like to ask Middlesbrough Schools for their views on how 'Children Missing from Education' affects your schools, and if there are any specific support or improvements that you can identify. The Panel is particularly interested in matters relating to suspensions /permanent exclusion and transient communities (i.e. children and families who move more frequently between local authorities including homeless families, asylum seekers and refugees, gypsy, traveller and Roma families and families experiencing domestic abuse).

If you would like to provide your thoughts, the Panel would be delighted to invite you or a representative to the next public meeting as follows;

Monday 20th January, 4.30pm at the Mandela Room, Town Hall, Middlesbrough, TS1 2RT

If you would like to attend this meeting, please advise of your availability and an invitation will be sent.

Should you prefer to provide written comments, please respond to this email with your written information which will be passed to the Panel to consider. The Chair, Edward, is a local schoolteacher and would be extremely grateful for any insight from schools that you are able to share. Please note that any information provided will be used to formulate the Panel's final report. Please can I ask that you respond to this email with any commentary by 12 noon on Wednesday 15th January.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your time.

Kind regards

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