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Our Ref  
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Date

7th May 2012

Dear Ms Duffy

Thank you for your letter of 20th February 2012. Once again, you raise a number of issues and I have taken time to discuss and consult with colleagues and managers within the Council before replying to you to advise you of the Council's position.

Over the course of our contact and correspondence, I believe I have given clear information of the Council's concerns in relation to your organisation's operational policy and practice; given numerous opportunities for your organisation to make contact with statutory and voluntary sector partners with a view to addressing these concerns and I have been clear that the Approved Provider Assessment framework is the only appropriate process to be applied in order to satisfy the council that previously documented concerns have been fully addressed.

In my most recent correspondence with you, I have asked you to inform me of your organisation's position in relation to a further application for APL status. It is clear from your response that an application will not be forthcoming. Given that we have established that the APL assessment is the only means of satisfying the Council that appropriate standards of operation exist within your organisation, I have now agreed with senior colleagues that the Council does not have the appropriate level of assurance that appropriate standards of operation are in place within your organisation.

I am therefore notifying you that current restrictions in terms of engagement with Dundee City Council and organisations funded by the Council will remain in place. I would remind you that the protection of children and adults is everyone's business and therefore any issues which you identify should be referred to the appropriate statutory services. These concerns will be dealt with in accordance with locally agreed operational protocols.

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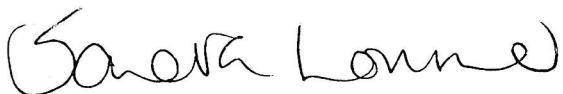


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I confirm that other Scottish Local Authorities have also been advised of this Council's position in the interests of clarity.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sandra Lorimer', enclosed in a large, loopy, handwritten-style parentheses.

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