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Independent Review of Safeguarding at Oakhill Secure Training Centre (STC)

Dear Jacqui

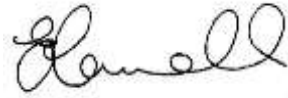
I am writing to formally inform you that we have published the Independent Review of Safeguarding at Oakhill STC today on GOV.uk alongside the government response. The Review, carried out by Shelia Durr, is an important piece of work that will help drive improvements at Oakhill STC and we are grateful for your support to this work and the ongoing action plan.

We have separately written to Youth Offending Team and Youth Justice Service Managers who are responsible for a child / children currently placed at Oakhill STC so that they may be able to respond to questions from community partners and families with interests in those children.

We are pleased to see that safeguarding at Oakhill STC has improved and children in our care are now safer than they were at the point of the urgent notification. The YCS is content with the initial actions completed by G4S in response to the safeguarding report by Sheila Durr.

Additionally, we are pleased to announce that a small number of spaces have also been made available for girls to be placed at Oakhill STC. This is a positive step as we can now provide more diverse placement options for girls in the Youth Secure Estate.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ed Cornmell', written in a cursive style.

ED CORNMELL
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, YOUTH CUSTODY SERVICE

Cc Wendy Tomlinson (Head of Safeguarding, Youth Custody Service)