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Cat Smith MP
Elliot Colburn MP
The Petitions Committee

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Dear Cat, Dear Elliot,

Thank you for your letter of 14 February addressed to the Secretary of State regarding the upcoming debate on LGBT content in the RSHE curriculum on Monday on 18 March 2024. I am responding as the minister responsible for this policy area.

We are finalising the RSHE review and working rapidly towards consulting on an amended draft soon. We had hoped to be in a position to publish an amended draft of the guidance in the autumn, but we want to ensure that we get this right and given the complexity of these subjects and the interplay with other policy areas, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do this by the 18 March.

*Yours ever
Damian*

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