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Dear Stephen,

Following the Committee's 25th report on UC and childcare, the Department committed to providing an annual breakdown of Flexible Support Fund (FSF) expenditure, based on area level expenditure figures.

The Department is now in a position to provide information for 2020/21 given our Annual Report and Accounts has been signed off by the National Audit Office.

Spend data for 2020/21 is based on the FSF categories which were collected in that year, this now includes childcare costs as a separate spend item, following the Committee's recommendation.

The financial information is provided in the attached document, Annex A.

I hope you and the WPSC will find this information useful.

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Department for Work and Pensions FSF Expenditure 2020-21	
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Flexible Support Fund Expenditure by Region £'000

Region	Total
South	15,581
Scotland	5,371
Central & Wales	8,748
North	16,359
Other	312
Total	46,372

Source : Hyperion

Figures have been rounded to the nearest thousand.

The data provided in the above table forms part of the expenditure position reported within the DWP Annual Report & Accounts 2020-21.

Flexible Support Fund Expenditure by Category £'000

Category	Total
Partnerships	4,249
Removing Barriers	14,611
Training	24,371
Childcare	1,317
Other	1,823
Total	46,372

Source : Hyperion

Figures have been rounded to the nearest thousand.

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