

# Deputy First Minister submission of 21 February 2024

## PE1933/P: Allow the Fornethy Survivors to access Scotland's redress scheme

I write to you in connection with the above petition. As I stated in my letter to you dated 29 September 2023, the Scottish Government appointed an independent researcher to make enquiries in respect of Fornethy House. Those enquiries have now concluded and a copy of Dr Emma Fossey's report is at Annex A<sup>1</sup>.

I will give careful consideration to the research report and look forward to discussing this matter further with you at the evidence session on Wednesday 20th March.

Yours sincerely,

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**DEPUTY FIRST MINISTER**

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<sup>1</sup> Note from the Clerk: A copy of the report has been published and is available on the petition history webpage <https://www.parliament.scot/-/media/files/committees/citizen-participation-and-public-petitions-committee/correspondence/2022/pe1933/enquiries-into-fornthey-house-residential-school-report.pdf>