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I am grateful for the opportunity I was given to attend the Children and Young People Committee on the, 27<sup>th</sup> November 2008, regarding the review of the Parenting Action Plan.

I have been asked to provide further evidence on the following two points:

- To provide the Committee with content of the parenting pages to be posted on the new Welsh Assembly Government website.
- To write to the Committee with a profile of funding in the Parenting Action Plan and the programmes that have emanated from it over the past 3 years.

In my evidence paper presented to the Committee, I advised that work was currently underway to provide information for parents on the education pages of the Welsh Assembly Government website.

I can confirm that the webpage for parents went live on the Assembly Government website on 19 December 2008. Information for parents can now be found in one place. These pages contain all the information for parents that was on the education part of the Welsh Assembly website. The information has also been re-written in a more accessible format. The webpage should be viewed as the start of a process by which we will work to develop these pages further to enhance the information available to parents. The next stage is for the webpage to link with other departments within the Assembly and for the web address to be changed to a simpler format.

The web pages currently can be viewed at:

<http://new.wales.gov.uk/topics/educationandskills/?lang=en> A copy of the front page is attached at Annex A.

The funding profile of the Parenting Action Plan and the programmes that have emanated from it can be seen at Annex B.

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Up until 2008-2009 we have spent and committed £693,804 on the direct funding of parenting programmes and related activities. We have already committed £249,221 for future years until 2011.

Thank you again for the opportunity to attend the Children and Young People Committee and share what has been achieved, and our aims for the future.

*Yngym iawn/ Thanks ever,*

*Jane*