ATTACHMENT:

QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE AND FURTHER INFORMATION AGREED TO BE SUPPLIED AT THE HEARINGS

YOUTH AFFAIRS

There were no questions taken on notice.

FAMILIES AND CHILDREN

- 1. Please indicate:
 - a. How many category 1 incident reports you have received or been advised of since 1 January 2015 and what type of incidents they relate to
 - b. The average response time for departmental staff (and, if appropriate, sector staff) in responding to these category 1 incident reports, and whether or not there is a current backlog of reports.

(Page 3 of the Families and Children portfolio transcript)

a. Please refer to page 3 of the Families and Children portfolio transcript where this information was provided in response to the supplementary question.

There were 2,344 Category 1 incident reports received over the period 1 July 2013 - 30 June 2014. This is the most recently verified and published figure for Category 1 incident data.

Please see table 1 below for a breakdown of incident reports by incident type.

b. When departmental and sector staff become aware of an incident, they are required to respond immediately to make sure clients and staff are safe.

This ensures that client safety, health and well-being following an incident are responded to promptly and without delay.

Once the clients and staff are safe, the department requires that Category One incidents be reported to the department within one working day, via a detailed client incident report.

Table 1: Category 1 incident reports by incident type

Incident type	Number of incident reports
Client death	39 (relating to the deaths of 40 children)
Assault	560
Behaviour	502
Other incident types	1,243
Total	2,344

Notes:

- 1. Data contained in this report was extracted on 8 July 2014. Please note, incident reporting data is based on allegations only. Incident reporting data undergoes routine data validation and as such is subject to minor changes over time. Total numbers contained in this report may not be directly comparable to subsequently released incident reporting information.
- 2. Note that there are differences between the number of incident reports of client death and the number of child deaths reviewed by the Commission for Children and Young People. Examples of incident reports that are out of scope for review by the Commission include those where an unborn child has been reported to child protection and is subsequently stillborn, or where a child is not a client of child protection (but was still the subject of an incident report).