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New Sue,

In the House of Lords Oral Questions on 27 February 2018, you asked me for my response to the £200 contribution students in receipt of DSAs must make towards the cost of computer equipment given to them. The answer I gave incorrectly stated that all students, disabled or not, receive a £200 contribution.

What I should have said is that the £200 contribution is one the student must make towards the cost of DSA recommended equipment; this was introduced because computer equipment was considered a mainstream cost that in practice all students would incur. The contribution is for hardware only and DSAs students are not expected to pay for recommended specialist software or for training to use it.

I hope this letter has been useful. A copy of the letter will be placed in the House of Lords Library and also sent to Lord Addington and Peers who spoke.

Yours ever,

James

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