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Dear Shaun

I am writing to you further to the points you raised regarding the uniformed cadet service in the Oral Question on Youth Strategy on 10 December.

The Ministry of Defence is the lead department for the combined cadet programme, and we know that participation helps to break down barriers to opportunity for our young people, supporting their skills, aspirations, confidence and engagement with education.

This Government fully recognises the importance of youth services, such as those provided by uniformed youth organisations, to help young people live safe and healthy lives.

As part of the Strategy, we will be engaging closely with young people and the youth sector, including uniformed cadet and youth groups, from across the country over the coming months to fully understand their needs and the issues they consider to be most crucial in addressing. We will ensure we make you aware of further developments in due course.

I will place a copy of this letter in the Libraries of both Houses.

With best wishes,

Baroness Twycross
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