## PE1364/Y

Anne Peat Clerk to the Committee Public Petitions Committee Scottish Parliament EDINBURGH EH99 1SP

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## Dear Ms Peat

I refer to petition 1364 presented by my constituent, Ms McBain, regarding government guidance to police and local authorities on gipsy traveller sites, and associated matters.

I am aware that the petition will be discussed by the committee at its meeting on the afternoon of Tuesday 20 September. Unfortunately I cannot attend as I already have another parliamentary meeting at that time.

I am writing simply to express my support for Ms McBain and reiterate the point that Scottish Ministers need to take action to resolve these issues.

Guidelines need to be clarified and solutions found for both the travelling community and the settled community.

I would be grateful if you would relay my support to the committee members.

Yours sincerely

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