

PE1480/N

Petitioner Email of 26 June 2015

Dear Chris

Thank you once again for your email and keeping me up to date about the ongoing petition.

I am aware, but also concerned that although there has been no definite decision to introduce Franks Law as yet, there does appear be crossed wires about what was discussed in the meeting in January with Shona Robison, myself and Dr Willie Stewart.

Although I spoke personally about young people under the age of 65 with dementia, I also included others with brain degenerative diseases such as MND, Parkinson's to name but a few, and certainly others terminal diseases.

I would like to point out that at no point in my meeting in January mentioned above, did I only speak about free personal care for younger people, like Frankie with dementia. I included others, as mentioned above as well.

I am also concerned to note the view Alzheimer's Scotland to the petition in December 2013 was mentioned. As you may be aware the Dundee Courier has been supporting the Campaign, and in fact only a few months ago, Alzheimer's Scotland has come out and supported Frank's Law, and has put that in print, and I am rather confused that this important fact has not been mentioned to the Petitions Committee.

I hope and pray that the letter yesterday, does not mean that the Scottish Government are turning their backs on the young people of Scotland who have all of the above terminal disease and are desperate for help urgently.

I would also like to think that the conversation which I had a few months ago with a well-known journalist when he told me that he had heard that the Scottish Government had no intention of introducing Frank's Law from the beginning, and also they were stringing me along. I sincerely hope that he had misheard that?

Two years of campaigning is a long time to wait for an answer to a very important issue which affects the future of every person under the age of 65 in our proud country of Scotland.

Once again thank you for your assistance and continual help in keeping me up to date with this very important issue.

Yours sincerely

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