

**Y Pwyllgor Plant, Pobl Ifanc
ac Addysg**

**Children, Young People
and Education Committee**

John Griffiths MS
Chair, Local Government and Housing
Committee

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Youth Homelessness

Dear John,

The Welsh Government figures on people placed into temporary accommodation state that as of 30 September 2021, of the 6,935 people in temporary accommodation, 1,742 were dependent children aged under 16. The figures do not detail those young people over the age of 16 who are in temporary accommodation, but End Youth Homelessness Cymru have said that every year over 7,000 people under the age of 25 ask for help with homelessness.

These are clearly concerning numbers of children and young people who do not have the stability that comes from living in permanent, safe and secure housing. Whilst we, at the moment, do not have the capacity to look at this issue in more detail, it would be useful to know what work, if any, your Committee is planning to do in this area. In particular, how will you ensure that the specific issues around children and young people experiencing youth homelessness will be considered? We would very much welcome being kept updated with any work your Committee undertakes in this area.

Yours sincerely,



Jayne Bryant MS
Chair

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.