

PUBLIC PETITION NO.

PE01709

# Name of petitioner

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#### Petition title

Install CCTV cameras and provide full time social work support in all additional support needs schools

### **Petition summary**

Calling on the Scottish Parliament to urge the Scottish Government to install CCTV cameras and establish full time social work presence in all additional support needs schools in Scotland.

#### Action taken to resolve issues of concern before submitting the petition

I have spoken to local authorities, councillors, MPs and also an MSP. I have also spoken to the children's commissioner.

#### Petition background information

From my experience, I have reason to be concerned about the way children with additional support needs (ASN) are restrained in schools. I am also concerned that the nature of these concerns cannot be adequately investigated by, for example, the Procurator Fiscal's office, as it is my understanding that disabled children are not considered to be credible witnesses. It is my belief therefore that our ASN children, the ones who are most vulnerable, aren't protected whilst in schools.

I believe that in order to protect children with additional support needs, CCTV cameras should be installed everywhere apart from toilets or personal care areas in all ASN schools. I also think that full time social work presence should be established in all ASN schools.

#### Unique web address

https://www.parliament.scot/GettingInvolved/Petitions/PE01709

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