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Dear Jo

Inspection of Telford and Wrekin local authority children's services

I am writing to personally congratulate you on the outcome of your recent inspection, which yet again rated your services as outstanding overall. This is a magnificent achievement and one which I personally wanted to acknowledge today, as your report is published.

Your "outstanding" inspection outcome reflects the continued determination of yourself and your leadership team, managers and frontline staff, as well as the wider council and your safeguarding partners. You should all be proud of the positive difference you have made for the children and families of Telford and Wrekin. It was particularly pleasing to read "*Since the last inspection in 2020 there has been a focus on improving the effectiveness of plans, the recording of management decisions and significant improvement in the use of pre-proceedings to enable more children to remain living safely within kinship care.*"

It was an absolute pleasure to read your report and I know you will be already concentrating on the next stages of your improvement journey. Please pass on my congratulations to all Telford and Wrekin colleagues who have contributed to this achievement, as well as extending my thanks to all the staff, children, parents and wider stakeholders who participated in the inspection process.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Yvette Stanley".

Yvette Stanley
National Director Regulation and Social Care