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**Re: PQ 52090-25**

To ask the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality the changes made to policy or practice at Oberstown Children Detention Campus since the reported increase in assaults on staff in 2025; and if she will make a statement on the matter

Dear Deputy,

Oberstown takes the safety, security and wellbeing of young people and staff seriously. The management team continuously reviews incident data and implements evidence-based strategies to address any emerging trends.

All incidents are reviewed promptly to identify root causes, contributing factors and opportunities for learning. The Safety Statement and relevant operational procedures are reviewed on an annual basis.

Training and refresher training is delivered to ensure consistent practice across all units.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Norma Foley', written over a horizontal line.

Norma Foley, T.D.

Minister for Children, Disability and Equality