

To: OBrien, Simon
Subject: RE: Transition of accommodation services.

From: Pam Bell
Sent: Tuesday, 12 August 2014
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Dear Mr Obrien,

I am with Citizen Advocacy, my name is Pamela Bell. My prodigy and her twin sister live in Albermarle St Doubleview where she has been a resident now for a number of years, they both have a disability and are in a group home with DSC.

I am very anxious and worried for these young women with the Government putting these group homes out to the private sector. I have been with for well over 20 odd years, and know her and the group home very well. They have a wonderful relationship with the staff at DSC and changes effect them badly and set off behavioral problems, as it is the staff now know how to manage this where as with a change over they will be going with people whom have only short training as to there personal problems, etc. this really distresses them, which then makes it much harder for them and staff.

Up to date I cannot say we have been given a real valid reason for this, except to be told it is for a much better choice. This I cannot believe, if that is the case the choice would be for no change as the present arranges work well and they are very happy.

As far as the transition, we had no consultation prior.

Things keep changing, nobody seems to know what is really going on.

Please, can I ask you to call on the Committee to launch an inquiry into the transition of accommodation services.

Thanking you for your time.

Pamela Bell