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(by email)

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Dear Roger,

Gender identity and Scottish Household Survey

Thank you for your letter of 24 May requesting a compliance check of the Scottish Household Survey focused on the collecting and reporting of data about gender identity.

As you say, there has been significant interest in the collection of data about sex and gender. I'm pleased to receive your request for this review of the Scottish Household Survey against the standards of the Code of Practice for Statistics with regard this matter, and I hope any findings or outcomes can feed into your wider review on sex and gender data in Scotland.

My team will take forward this work in the coming weeks and will be in touch with statisticians involved in the Scottish Household Survey shortly to agree arrangements.

Yours sincerely,



Ed Humpherson
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