



‘My advice is go and meet your MSP personally – see the whites of their eyes’.

Jim Sillars, former SNP deputy leader
Speaking at NO2NP’s national conference, March 2017

GUIDE TO MEETING YOUR MSPS



You have eight MSPs: one constituency member and seven regional members. You can use your postcode to identify all your MSPs and find out their contact details at bit.ly/findmsp.

Most MSPs meet constituents at regular times. If these are not available online, contact them directly or via their constituency office.

OTHER WAYS OF MAKING CONTACT



If you know the name of your MSP, email them at: firstname.surname.msp@scottish.parliament.uk

Write to them at: The Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh, EH99 1SP

You can also contact most MSPs on social media.

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WHAT TO SAY...

Use your own words, but you might want to draw on the suggestions below.

The Named Person law needs to be scrapped because it is intrusive and undermines parents.

The Supreme Court's judgment requires the law to be rewritten by the Scottish Parliament. The Court said MSPs should use this opportunity to make it clear that any advice given under the scheme is not compulsory.

The legislation sets a dangerously low threshold for intervention. The concept of 'wellbeing' is far too open to interpretation and could be used to justify unnecessary intervention.

Enormous strain will be placed on teachers and health visitors trying to handle their Named Person responsibilities in addition to their regular work load.

There are already child protection systems in place. The resources that the Named Person scheme will waste should be invested in them instead.

MSPs must listen to the tens of thousands of families concerned about the Named Person scheme.

For more information read '11 reasons to say NO to the Named Person Scheme' (bit.ly/NO2NP11reasons) and 'Answers to common arguments' (bit.ly/NO2NPanswers).

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