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Dear *Lord Morrow*

You recently asked the following question (AQW 26594/11-15):

“To ask the Minister for Employment and Learning, pursuant to AQW 25524/11-15, why South West Regional College delivered provision for young people leaving special schools through the Beacon Centre, which predominately deals with mental health issues.”

In my response, I inadvertently stated that South West College (SWC) provided part-time courses for adults with learning difficulties and/or disabilities at the Dungannon campus, in conjunction with the Beacon Centre.

The correct response is that SWC does not deliver provision to young people leaving special schools through Beacon Centres.

As I stated in AQW 25524/11-15, during the 2012/13 academic year, SWC provided a range of part-time courses for adults with mental health issues at the Dungannon campus, in conjunction with the Beacon Centre. SWC considered that this type of provision was not appropriate for young adults with learning difficulties and/or disabilities leaving special schools.

Please accept my apologies for any confusion caused.

I am copying this letter to the Speaker, the Business office and the Assembly Library.

Yours sincerely

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