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Dear Ms Carson

Consultation on Cross Border Student Flows: Higher Education Tuition Fee Levels

East Lothian Council welcomes the opportunity to comment on the above consultation and the following responses are made to the questions raised in the consultation paper as set out in the paper Annex A.

Question – Do you agree with the principles on which the general fee level should be based?
Answer – Yes

Question – At what level should general tuition fees be set for 2006/2007?
Answer - £1,700 - £1,900

Question – Should any self-funded Scottish and non-UK EU domiciled students be protected from the increased level of tuition fee?
Answer – No

Question – Do you agree with the principle of using tuition fee levels to protect the interests of Scottish domiciled students by setting fee levels for medicine that are broadly comparable with those being set elsewhere in the UK?
Answer – Yes

Question – If you agree, at what level should tuition fees for medical courses be set?
Answer - £9,000

Question – Do you agree that the Executive should retain current tuition fee levels for HNs?
Answer – Yes

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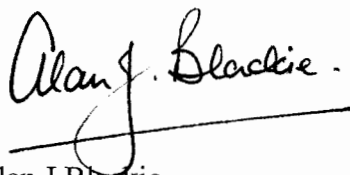
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Question – Do you agree that gap year students should be treated as having entered HE in 2005-06, i.e. prior to the planned changes taking effect

Answer – Yes

I trust that this response is helpful and informative.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alan J. Blackie." The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

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