*About this resource:*

This is a Suggested Wording. It is a set of paragraphs to use to inform the family that the independent review panel have required the governors to reconsider the exclusion.

To understand when you might want to use this text, read the [Step by Step Guide*:* After the Independent Review Panel](https://justforkidslaw.org/school-exclusions-hub/legal-practitioners-and-professionals/after-governors-meeting-appeal-and-3/after-irp-reconsideration-and-further-steps/step-step-guide-after-independent-review-panel).

To use this resource, go through the text and enter the information where prompted to do so. Prompts appear as grey text. Then copy it into an email or letter as appropriate.

This text is a guide. You might need to make amendments to fit your circumstances.

I am writing in relation to name of young person’s independent review panel concerning their exclusion from name of school which took place on date of independent review panel.

There are now two sections to choose from, a yellow one and a blue one. Complete the section that is most appropriate, then remove the highlighting and delete the unused section.

The yellow section is most appropriate section if the independent review panel recommended reconsideration.

The blue section is most appropriate if the independent review panel quashed the exclusion and directed reconsideration of it.

As you will be aware, the independent review panel has recommended reconsideration of the exclusion. This means that the governors should meet within 10 school days in order to consider name of young person’s exclusion again. At this reconsideration, they can make the same decisions as at the initial consideration; to uphold the exclusion, to reinstate name of young person immediately, or to reinstate them from a specified date. If they decide to uphold the exclusion again, there will be no further avenue of challenge outside of a case in court. If they direct reinstatement, then name of young person will be able to return to the school on the date they specify.

As you be aware, the independent review panel has quashed the exclusion and directed reconsideration of it. This means that the governors should meet within 10 school days in order to consider name of young person’s exclusion again. At this reconsideration, they can make the same decisions as at the initial consideration; to uphold the exclusion, to reinstate name of young person immediately, or to reinstate them from a specified date. However, if they uphold the exclusion again, then they will be ordered to pay £4,000 to the local authority. In addition, name of young person’s school record will be updated with the independent review panel’s decision. Whilst, under normal circumstances, a young person can only be excluded twice before losing the right to choose a particular school, because the independent review panel has quashed this one it will not count towards this limit even if the governors uphold it again.

The governors do not have to invite us back to the reconsideration. However, I suggest that we write to the school to find out the arrangements and ask to attend, this will give us another opportunity to encourage the school to think again, and to reinstate name of young person. Please do let me know if you would like me to do this.