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Dear Richard

We would like to formally request a Scrutiny Inquiry into the decision by the council to close six crèches in Leisure Centres across Leeds.

The move, which according to delegated decision D37354, issued last week, could save the council approximately £60,000 but will have a significant impact on users in Rothwell, Pudsey, Scott Hall, East Leeds, Kippax and Aireborough.

For the sake of clarity, we would like Members of the City Development Scrutiny Board to investigate this matter on the grounds of equality as this issue has attracted significant media interest and caused concerned residents to write in to Ward Members.

Furthermore, we also like clarity on the reasons why this decision was classified as exempt for call in despite the obvious connotations of closing six crèches.

We look forward to hearing from you.

**Yours sincerely**

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