

Dear [name of Headteacher or Designated Safeguarding Lead],

My child, [name], is in [class/form/year] at [school]

Further to the recent court cases 'For Women Scotland vs. Scottish Government' and 'For Women Scotland vs. Scottish Ministers' iterating the reality of biological sex I wish to highlight that my family does not believe in gender identity or gender ideology.

Lack of belief in gender identity and gender ideology is a protected belief under the Equality Act 2010. As an educational institution, you should be fully aware that it is a biological fact that nobody is born in the wrong body. Under the freedom of belief and freedom of speech, I have the right to reject and oppose gender-identity ideology, and freely state a belief that people cannot change sex or that women and girls have a legal right to single-sex spaces.

Society accepts that while people may believe in different religions, no-one is required to believe in any particular religion or religious belief. Similarly, while some people may believe in gender ideology and gender identity, no-one can be required to say that they believe in it or agree with it. Attempting to coerce children into believing a highly contested political viewpoint breaches a school's legal requirement to be politically impartial. The law clearly states teachers must not promote partisan political views and should offer a balanced overview of opposing views when political issues are taught, provide a safe learning environment, and are responsible for keeping pupils safe from harm and abuse.

I do not wish my child to be taught anything to do with gender identity or gender ideology, or be coerced to use wrong sex pronouns for any child or staff member.

Please can you confirm receipt of this correspondence stating you will honour my request.

I would like to put the school on notice that if the school looks to indoctrinate my child, I shall have little alternative but to seek legal advice and make a formal complaint.

Sincerely etc

Ref: On the definition of 'sex' 'man' and 'woman' EHRC: <https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/ehrc-statement-supreme-court-ruling-women-scotland-v-scottish-ministers>

On Single sex toilet provision: Scottish Legal News: <https://www.scottishlegal.com/articles/council-taken-to-task-for-failing-to-provide-single-sex-lavatories>