
Chair of the UK Statistics Authority, Sir David Norgrove

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(via email)

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Dear Ms Wells,

Thank you for your letter of 21 July to Professor Sir Ian Diamond about a graphic on face masks shared by the Deputy First Minister.

Mr Swinney has deleted the tweet in question and clarified his meaning¹. I welcome the commitment by him and the First Minister to using verifiable statistics in future, so that government communications can command public trust.

Yours sincerely,



Sir David Norgrove

¹ [Twitter \(@JohnSwinney\), 21 July 2021](#)