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Welsh Parliament

Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee

Sophie Howe

Future Generations Commissioner for Wales

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Dear Sophie,

Further information following the meeting held on 30 November 2020

Thank you for your appearance before the Committee on 30 November for scrutiny of your annual report 2019/20.

Following the session, the Committee agreed that I should write to you to ask for more information on some of the areas we were unable to discuss during the meeting.

- Transport could you outline why you believe there is an implementation gap in relation to the WelTAG guidance? Are you able to provide specific examples of projects, and why they don't comply with the guidance. How are you working with the Welsh Government and other relevant parties to address this?
- Planning could you explain whether the draft NDF reflects the advice you have given to the Welsh Government on this? Do you have any specific areas of concern?
- Education could you provide details of any discussions you have had with the Welsh Government about the proposals in your Education Fit for the Future white paper.
- Decarbonisation further to the answers you provided to Huw Irranca Davies' questions on this, could you outline whether your team has been involved in developing the Welsh Government's next low carbon delivery plan, due for publication in 2021?
- Health You have previously expressed concern about the scale and pace of embedding the Act in the health sector, and suggested you may use your Section 20 review powers to investigate. Have you she seen any



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positive changes over the past 12 months, and what actions are you taking to accelerate action?

Additionally, in response to Members' questions on Public Services Boards' annual reports, you explained that you consider the reports to identify areas of good practice or where progress is being made or improvement needed; you offered to provide examples of these and we would be grateful if you could share this information with us.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

John Griffiths MS

Chair

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

