Dear Ms Clancy,

Historic Environment (Wales) Bill passed by the National Assembly for Wales on 9 February 2016

Thank you for your letter of 10 February 2016 reminding me of my power under section 112 of the Government of Wales Act 2006 to refer the question of whether an Assembly Bill, or any provision of a Bill, would be within the Assembly’s legislative competence to the Supreme Court for decision.

I am of the view that none of the provisions in the Historic Environment (Wales) Bill is outside the legislative competence of the National Assembly for Wales and, therefore, I do not intend to make a reference.

Yours sincerely,

Theodore Huckle QC
Counsel General

29th February 2016