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Deur David,

Thank you for your letter of 31 October regarding Petition P-05-841 requesting the alternative 3rd Menai Crossing proposal 'Pont Bendigeidfran' is included in the formal assessment process.

As I stated in my letter to the Petitions Committee on 24 September Mr Poulton's proposal is being further assessed and considered. Consultants AECOM and Knight Architects are currently assessing and developing concepts of bridge designs which best fits within the Menai Strait landscape and consultation on these options with the Design Commission for Wales is ongoing.

The appropriateness of incorporating sculptures into bridges, such as Mr Poulton's Pont Bendigeidfran, forms part of this assessment. Like all investments in infrastructure projects, maximising the economic benefits is an integral part of scheme development and this will be no different on the 3rd Menai Crossing. Consulting and seeking views and support from all key stakeholders will also be a very important and integral part of this scheme development.

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Yours ever,

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