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Dear Llyr

Thank you for your letter of 21 September regarding the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Bill (the Bill) and the potential costs and benefits of Corporate Joint Committees.

In my letter of 27 July I noted that the report which I shared with the Finance Committee would inform the development of a Regulatory Impact Assessment (RIA) which would accompany any subsequent regulations establishing a Corporate Joint Committee.

We are in the process of preparing draft regulations to establish the first Corporate Joint Committees in Wales and, subject to the passage of the Bill in the Senedd, will be consulting on these as soon as possible. As part of this we are preparing a detailed RIA to assess the potential costs and benefits of establishing these Corporate Joint Committees.

I think it more appropriate to include the costs and benefits in the RIA which supports these regulations as opposed to the Bill itself as it is the regulations which will provide the detail on what each CJC will look like and on which the RIA can make appropriate informed assumptions. The Bill simply provides the framework for such regulations to be made.

I would be happy to share a copy of the Regulatory Impact Assessment for the regulations with the Finance Committee as soon as I am able to.

Yours sincerely

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