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Janet Finch-Saunders MS
Chair, Petitions Committee

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Dear Janet,

Thank you for your letter of 22 July, regarding the Petitions Committee's consideration of a petition calling for the ban on the use of hostile architecture in Wales.

Since I last wrote to you in April, we have finalised the Placemaking Charter and are preparing a short guide that will expand on what placemaking means in Wales. I will be launching the initiative on the 23 September at the 2020 RTPI Cymru Planning Conference.

The Placemaking Partnership is made of organisations involved in shaping the built and natural environment. A number of housing organisations are involved, including Community Housing Cymru, and, once launched, we will be encouraging other stakeholders to sign up to the charter. The future work programme for this initiative is yet to be set, however, should issues pertaining to the design of public places generally or hostile architecture specifically be addressed, I will ensure organisations which support homeless people are involved in this.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Julie James". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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