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Dear Janet,

### **Petition P-05-913 Creation of Lôn Las Môn Multi-Use Path**

Thank you for your recent letter following up on the petition regarding the disused Gaerwen to Amlwch branch on Anglesey.

To bring you up to date, we are now in the latter stages of our negotiations with Anglesey Central Railway Ltd. (ACRL) over a long-term lease of the line, which would see them take on responsibility for the land, infrastructure and its use.

As we set out when we wrote to the committee previously, we absolutely support constructive dialogue between ACRL and Lôn Las Môn and I welcome this opportunity to reinforce that message.

Should the lease negotiations with ACRL not progress to completion, or if the terms of the lease are not met, there may be future opportunities to discuss an alternative use for the line. However, as the committee know, the Welsh Government recently reiterated their desire to see a rail solution maintained on the branch.

I hope this is a helpful response, if you have any further questions on behalf of the committee, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,



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