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Dear Janet,

Thank you for your letter of 16 December 2020 about Petition P-05-1077 Stop the voting boundary change to Ystrad Mynach south. I note the decision reached by the Committee that no further action is to be taken and that the petition is now closed.

I am grateful to you for providing me with the petitioner's further comments on this matter and I can confirm I will consider these alongside others I have received about the Final Report of the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission which proposes changes to the County Borough of Caerphilly electoral arrangements.

I issued a written statement setting out the position relating to the current Programme of Electoral Arrangements Reviews for Principal Councils. I attach a link to the statement for ease of reference.

<https://gov.wales/written-statement-programme-electoral-arrangements-reviews-principal-councils-current-position>

The statement makes reference to a small number of reviews which have attracted a significant amount of representations. These include the final recommendations for the future electoral arrangements in the County Borough of Caerphilly. The statement confirms during the coming months I will be considering carefully the points raised during the representation period which will inform future decisions

Yours sincerely,

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