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Dear Dawid

Thank you for your letter of 26 November regarding Petition P-05-856 to Ban the sale of puppies by pet shops and all commercial third party dealers in Wales (Lucy's Law).

I note this petition was started by C.A.R.I.A.D in September 2018 and submitted in December. During my Oral Statement on 19 June, I announced how we intended to build upon the significant animal welfare improvements since the introduction of the Dog Breeding Regulations by investigating the potential banning of third party sales. I attended a C.A.R.I.A.D event held in the Senedd on 11 July, where I confirmed this work was ongoing and we are exploring how a ban could be implemented in Wales.

Welsh Government officials met with Linda Goodman, the founder of C.A.R.I.A.D on 8 November and she is fully aware of the forthcoming consultation.

It is absolutely essential we address the root cause of any welfare concerns in changes to legislation and I will launch a consultation on 22 February 2019.

Regards
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