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Dear Ken,

Thank you for taking time to give evidence to Committee on 11 May. Due to time constraints there were a few areas the Committee did not reach in our questioning. We are currently drafting a report outlining our very early findings following our session with business leaders, unions and our session with you.

Alongside the matters which will be raised in that report, we would be grateful your views on the following more forward looking issues which we did not have time to discuss with you:

- What assessment has been made by the Welsh Government of the long-term impact of the virus on transport demand and travel patterns?
- What long-term changes to transport budget priorities and policy as a whole might be required?
- What effect will the pandemic have on the viability and delivery of major infrastructure investment? Particularly delivery the valleys electrification, the three metro programmes more generally and the highways schemes?
- The Welsh Government's Framework for Recovery from the pandemic talks about seizing on the changes which can have a positive impact long into the future. What might this look like in transport?

Yours sincerely,



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