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Chair
Local Government and Housing Committee
Tŷ Hywel
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Dear John

Petition P-05-1056 Give Local Authorities powers to control the housing market in rural and tourist areas of Wales

The Petitions Committee considered the following petition from Osian Jones recently at our meeting on 4 October:

Text of Petition:

In a number of rural and tourist areas, a large proportion of local inhabitants are deprived of homes as house prices have been inflated by demand for second homes and holiday homes. The First Minister could direct the relevant Ministers to engage in urgent discussions with Local Authorities to draw up a strategy to ensure community control of the housing market mainly through amendments to the planning system.

At the meeting members agreed to write to you in order to ask that your Committee consider this issue as part of your programme of work. In writing to you, the Committee also agreed that it would close the petition.

Further information about the petition, including related correspondence, is available on our website at:

<https://business.senedd.wales/ielIssueDetails.aspx?Ild=30064&Opt=3>.

If you have any queries, please contact the Committee clerking team at the e-mail address below, or on 0300 200 6454.

Yours sincerely



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