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Dear Llywydd,

Planning (Wales) Bill

Thank you for your letter of 11 March 2026 reminding me of my power under section 112 of the Government of Wales Act 2006 to refer the question of whether a Senedd Bill, or any provision of such a Bill, would be within the Senedd's legislative competence to the Supreme Court for decision.

I am of the view that none of the provisions of the Planning (Wales) Bill are outside the legislative competence of the Senedd and, therefore, I do not intend to make a reference.

Yours sincerely,

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