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Dear William,

Thank you for your letter of 21 January regarding petition P-04-658 to safeguard the Brimmon Oak in relation to the A483 Newtown bypass.

We are aware of the concerns regarding the Brimmon Oak and this was discussed in detail at the Public Local Inquiry. The Inspector considered the veteran tree would not be under threat from the construction of the scheme but care in the detail of design and supervision of the works near the veteran oak is essential.

The Inspector accepted the Welsh Government's proposal to adjust the carriageway away from the tree and only carry out minimal work within the 15 metre tree root protection zone, as recommended by arboricultural specialists and British Standards.

I can assure you that care will be taken in the detailed design and supervision of the works near this tree.

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