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Dear Dai,

Once again, I would like to thank the Committee for undertaking its inquiry into endoscopy services and delivering its report in April 2019.

I accepted the Committee's recommendation to publish an action plan that would set out how the National Endoscopy Programme will address the challenges identified in your report. I am pleased to confirm that this action plan has been finalised and published at: <https://gov.wales/national-endoscopy-programme-action-plan-2019-2023>

As the plan sets out there are a small number of areas specific to optimisation of the bowel cancer screening programme that are being managed by Public Health Wales but there will be close working between the two programmes.

I hope that this will demonstrate the commitment on the part of the Welsh Government to improving endoscopy services and I look forward to providing my update to the Committee in twelve months' time.

Yours sincerely,

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