Y Gwir Anrh/Rt Hon Mark Drakeford AS/MS Prif Weinidog Cymru/First Minister of Wales



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Dear Elin

The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 5) Regulations 2020

I have today made the Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 5) Regulations 2020 under sections 45C(1), (3)(c), (4)(d), 45F(2) and 45P of the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984. These Regulations will come into force 4pm on 1 June 2020. I attach a copy of the statutory instrument and I intend to lay this and an accompanying Explanatory Memorandum once the statutory instrument has been registered.

In accordance with the emergency procedure set out in section 45R of the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984, this instrument must be approved by the Senedd by 29 June 2020 in order for it to remain in effect. In these circumstances I understand Standing Order 21.4A is relevant and the Business Committee may establish and publish a timetable for the responsible committee or committees to report. However as the Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations 2020 Regs are being debated on 17 June, the Government intends to schedule the debate on these Regulations on the same date.

Whilst I appreciate this slightly reduces the time available for reporting, the relationship between these Regulations means that debating them together would be the most coherent approach. It is not possible to reschedule the debate on the earlier Regulations, as they must be approved by 23 June. This will also mean that the Senedd will have considered all amending Regulations before the next three-weekly review and the laying of any further Regulations made as a consequence of that review.

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Yours sincerely

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