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Dear Elin

**The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 5) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2020**

I have today made the Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 5) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 under sections 45C(1) and (3)(c), 45F(2) and 45P(2) of the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984. These Regulations come into force at 12.01 a.m. on 22 December. I attach a copy of the statutory instrument and I intend to lay this and an accompanying Explanatory Memorandum on Tuesday 22 December.

In accordance with section 4(1) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946, I am informing you that that these Regulations will come into force before they are laid before the Senedd. It is necessary for them to come into force immediately as they make a technical amendment which ensures the enforcement regime continues to operate as it did under the regime which preceded the current principal Regulations. These Regulations have been published on the Welsh Government Covid-19 pages and at [legislation.gov.uk](http://legislation.gov.uk) before they come into force.

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 7 February 2021 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. I intend to schedule these Regulations for debate in Plenary on 12 January 2021.

I am copying this letter to the Minister for Finance and Trefnydd, Mick Antoniw MS as Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee, Siwan Davies, Director of Senedd Business, Sian Wilkins, Head of Chamber and Committee Services and Julian Luke, Head of Policy and Legislation Committee Service.

Yours sincerely

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