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Dear Russell and Huw

I am pleased to share with the Committee the finalised provisional Public Health Protection and Health Security Framework (the Framework), along with a related Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

This Framework establishes common expectations around key areas of cooperation in public health protection and health security policies in the context of the UK's departure from the EU. All four UK administrations agreed to work together to establish common approaches, known as Common Frameworks, in policy areas that were previously governed by EU law, and which intersect with areas of devolved competence.

Officials in the Welsh Government, together with their counterparts across the UK, and with relevant UK Public Health Agencies, have been working jointly to develop this Framework to share with their respective scrutiny Committees for Parliamentary scrutiny.

The set of documents can be found at: [Public health protection and health security: provisional common framework - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-health-protection-and-health-security-provisional-common-framework)

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. E. Morgan".

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