

Rt Hon Mark Drakeford MS
First Minister
Welsh Government

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Dear Mark

UK-wide COVID-19 public inquiry: draft terms of reference

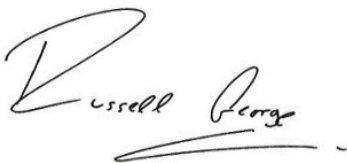
Thank you for your letter of 14 December 2021 asking whether the Health and Social Care Committee plans to consider and provide reflections on the draft terms of reference for the UK-wide COVID-19 public inquiry.

I note that neither the draft terms of reference nor Baroness Hallett's proposed consultation and engagement process have yet been published.

We considered your letter at our meeting on 13 January 2022. However, we concluded that we could not reach a decision on this matter until we have had the opportunity to see the draft terms of reference, and have more information about the engagement process and associated timescales.

I will write further in due course.

Yours sincerely



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Chair, Health and Social Care Committee

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