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Mark Isherwood MS
Chair, Public Accounts and Public Administration Committee

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Dear Mark,

Thank you for the report on the Welsh Government's Legislative Consent Memoranda (LCM) on the Procurement Bill.

I am considering the five recommendations set out in your report and will provide a more substantive response soon. In the meantime, I wish to restate our position regarding Recommendation 1 which was provided to the Legislation, Justice, and Constitution Committee in my response to them on 14 November, as follows:

Recommendation 1. We recommend the Senedd's consent should also be sought for clauses 114 and 116, and any future memoranda in respect of the Bill should identify them accordingly.

[I do not accept this recommendation.](#)

[I do not agree with the conclusion that clauses 114 and 116 of the Bill would amount to relevant provision for the purposes of Standing Order 29.](#)

[These clauses are technical provisions which are concerned with how the Bill works rather than substantive provisions, and as a matter of practice we do not generally include non-operative clauses within LCM.](#)

Substantive responses will follow on the recommendations made in the report. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need anything further.

Yours sincerely,

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