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Dear Jack,

Thank you for your letter of 11 July regarding Petition P-06-1352 Approve the construction of the Third bridge over the Menai Strait.

When we published our [National Transport Delivery Plan](#) alongside the [Roads Review](#), we committed to develop options to ensure the resilience of crossing the Menai Straits in a way that supports modal shift, aligned to tests set out in Welsh Government's response to the review.

We have asked the North Wales Transport Commission to make recommendations on how this is best achieved and they published their [interim report](#) in June. Details for Menai can be found at Annex 1, page 34. I look forward to receiving the Commission's final report and recommendations later this year, which will include detailed consideration of options to improve the connections between Ynys Mon and Gwynedd. Following this, I will set out the Welsh Government's response.

With regards to the current works on the Menai Bridge, this second phase of work will see new permanent hangers installed, following a rigorous period of development and testing, as well as extensive paint work to the exterior of the bridge.

The start date has been chosen to minimise disruption over the summer holidays and work is expected to be completed the end of summer 2025 - ahead of the bridge's bicentenary in January 2026.

The programme of works will not mean full closure of the bridge and every effort is being made to minimise further disruption to communities on both sides of the bridge and we appreciate the patience they have shown.

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

We have published a list of frequently asked questions at [A5 Menai Bridge: frequently asked questions | GOV.WALES](#) and this will be updated regularly as the works progress.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lee', is centered within a light gray rectangular box.

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