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Dear Mick

Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill: implementation

Thank you again for agreeing to give oral evidence to the Reform Bill Committee on Wednesday 13 December. We look forward to discussing the Bill and the issues arising from our scrutiny of the Bill to date.

To enable us to make best use of the time during the evidence session, we would be grateful if you would provide the following information in advance:

1. An overview of the anticipated timeline for the implementation of the Welsh Government's electoral reforms in advance of the 2026 election.
2. It would be helpful if the timeline referred to above could include the timescales associated with the planned review, reform, consolidation, and scrutiny of the National Assembly for Wales (Representation of the People) Order 2007 (as amended).¹
3. We would also be grateful if you could provide an indication of the nature and scale of the changes you anticipate the Welsh Government proposing in your consultation on the

¹ Welsh Government, [Senedd Cymru \(Members and Elections\) Bill: Explanatory Memorandum incorporating the Regulatory Impact Assessment and Explanatory Notes](#), September 2023, paragraph 342

reform and consolidation of the 2007 Order, including, for example, the types of practical measures (beyond ballot paper design) that might be addressed in the Order.

To ensure that this information can inform the evidence session on 13 December 2023, it would be helpful to receive your response **by 30 November 2023**.

Yours sincerely



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Chair, Reform Bill Committee

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg. We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.