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Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and
Welsh Language
Lynne Neagle MS
Cabinet Secretary for Education
Welsh Government

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General ministerial scrutiny

Dear Jeremy and Lynne

Congratulations to you both on your recent appointments as the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Welsh Language and Cabinet Secretary for Education respectively.

You will be aware, of course, of the number of challenges that exist in each of your portfolios. Many of these issues are of great interest to the Committee, and we would welcome an opportunity to discuss these issues, amongst others, in a general scrutiny session with you during the summer term. The issues we are perhaps most concerned about include the funding of post-16 skills through the medium of Welsh; understanding the reasons for the recent drop in Welsh speakers that was recorded in the 2021 Census; and the forthcoming Welsh Language Education Bill. In a scrutiny session, we would especially like to understand how you will both work together to achieve the Cymraeg 2050 target.

I will ask our officials to liaise with Welsh Government officials to identify a suitable time for the Committee to meet you.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you well in your new roles, and we look forward to continue to work with you as we head towards the Cymraeg 2050 target.

I am copying this letter to the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee for their information.

Yours sincerely,

Delyth Jewell MS
Committee Chair

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

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