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Dear Jack,

Petition P-06-1447 Stop Natural Resources Wales closing the visitor centre at Ynyslas National Nature Reserve

Thank you for your letter of 24 May seeking my views on issues raised in Petition P-06-1447, asking to - "Stop NRW closing the visitor centre at Ynyslas National Nature Reserve".

As the Senedd Petition Committee will be aware the budgetary pressures for 2024-25 are well documented and no organisations are exempt from the extremely tough budgetary conversations and decisions that will have to be made. Accordingly, NRW is considering its remit and critically reviewing all activities, recognising that delivery of its core functions and statutory duties take priority.

With specific regard to the future of its visitor centres, NRW is considering a raft of possible options including provision of opportunities to local businesses, partnership working with social and community groups to investigate the feasibility of future management of these centres, etc.

Ultimately, the responsibility for making the final decision on the future of its visitor centres lies with NRW's Board. I understand that NRW has initiated conversations with relevant communities regarding future options for these centres.

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

Once again, thank you for writing to me regarding this. I hope this information is helpful to you in your role as Petitions' Committee Chair.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Huw Irranca-Davies".

Huw Irranca-Davies AS/MS

Ysgrifennydd y Cabinet dros Newid Hinsawdd a Materion Gwledig
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