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Dear Vikki,

As you will have heard, during the Stage 3 debate on the Elections and Elected Bodies (Wales) Bill last week I made the following commitment:

“The Welsh Government will bring forward legislation before 2026 for the disqualification of Members and candidates found guilty of deliberate deception through an independent judicial process and will invite the Committee to make proposals to that effect.”

This issue is best considered in detail through the work that the Standards of Conduct Committee is undertaking in its inquiry into Individual Member Accountability, and I therefore invite the committee to make proposals on this important matter as part of that work. I look forward to the recommendations that the Committee makes.

I would also like to take the opportunity to reiterate my offer to continue to contribute and engage with the committee as your inquiry continues.

Yours sincerely,

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