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Dear Mike,

The Welsh Government has today published a consultation on the draft *Senedd Cymru (Representation of the People) Order* (known as “the Conduct Order”). The draft Order outlines the procedures for conducting elections to the Senedd, how the election and its campaign should be managed, and addresses the process for legal challenges to an election.

The draft Order updates and consolidates the existing provisions on the conduct of Senedd elections set out in the *National Assembly for Wales (Representation of the People) Order 2007* and those in the related amending orders. While the law has largely been re-stated as part of an accessible, bilingual framework for the first time using modern and clear language, the draft Order also reflects wider developments since the 2021 Senedd election.

The consultation paper, draft Order and draft explanatory memorandum can be accessed via the following link: <https://www.gov.wales/draft-senedd-cymru-representation-people-order>.

We are aware that there is an issue with the formatting on the second level of the sub-paragraphs in the published version of the Welsh SI which we are looking to rectify. In any case this will be rectified before the SI is laid before the Senedd next year.

Yours sincerely,

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