



Our Reference – KS/PO/386/2024

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9 December 2024

Dear Mike,

Thank you for your letter dated 13 November 2024, regarding legislative consent for the Passenger Railway Services (Public Ownership) Bill, now an Act.

In your letter you note that a supplementary legislative consent memorandum was not produced for the only UK Government amendment, laid on Wednesday 30 October.

Following the UK Government amendment, a Written Statement was issued to Members of the Senedd on Friday 1 November during Senedd recess. This was provided at the earliest possible opportunity, to inform Members of this amendment prior to the legislative consent motion debate on Tuesday 5 November.

Our assessment of the amendment concluded it did not require a supplementary legislative consent memorandum, in accordance with Standing Order 29.

I appreciate the Committee's position and can confirm that Welsh Government is committed to enabling the effective operation of the legislative consent process in accordance with Standing Order 29.

I am copying this letter to the First Minister, the Counsel General and Minister for Delivery, and the Llywydd

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ken Skates', enclosed within a thin black rectangular border.

Ken Skates AS/MS

Ysgrifennydd y Cabinet dros Drafnidiaeth a Gogledd Cymru
Cabinet Secretary for Transport and North Wales