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Carolyn Thomas MS
Chair - Petitions committee

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Dear Carolyn,

Thank you for your letter of 16 June regarding Petition P06-1423 – the reinstatement of the 552 Cardi Bach coastal bus service.

Unfortunately, we have been unable to source an operator to provide the Cardi Bach bus service. Transport for Wales (TfW) have issued two invitations to tender's for the operation of this service, but these has attracted no operator interest. Officials have also spoken to key players within the community transport sector in the area, but again unfortunately this has not led to any firm interest in operating this service.

Looking forwards, Transport for Wales are working with Ceredigion County Council to prepare for a large-scale bus retendering exercise across the County next year, and we have asked that they include a replacement for Cardi Bach as part of this wider network retendering exercise.

I am sorry that we cannot give you more positive news at this time.

Yours sincerely,

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