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Dear Carolyn,

Thank you for your letter of 19 June 2025, and for forwarding the petitioner's response to the Committee of 24 September 2024.

I refer to my predecessor, Rebecca Evans MS's, responses of 27 June and 23 August 2024 to the Petitions committee Chair. The Welsh Government's position has not changed.

The Welsh Government's approach is to assist all of those buying their primary homes, regardless of whether this is their first home. Our approach has been consistently to provide the most help to those with the greatest need, rather than to target support at first-time buyers.

We continue to keep LTT rates and bands under review. In October 2022 we raised the LTT lower threshold by 25%, from £180,000 to £225,000. As a result of that change, the majority of homebuyers continue to pay no LTT.

Yours sincerely,

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