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Cc: Karen Jones, Chair, Electoral Management Board

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Dear Eifion and Mark,

Pwnc | Subject: Scrutiny of the Senedd Cymru (Member Accountability and Elections) Bill

Thank you for attending the Member Accountability Bill Committee on 18 November 2025. It was a very useful and informative session and the Committee appreciated the opportunity to explore your views on the Bill.

During the session, you indicated that you would update the Committee on how the Board intends to perform its functions in relation to the Bill, once it has had an opportunity to have those initial discussions. In particular, the Committee would welcome your views on whether the Bill should be amended to specifically bring recall polls within the statutory functions of the Electoral Management Board as set out in sections 20A to 20D of the Democracy and Boundary Commission Cymru etc. Act 2013.

As you are aware, the Committee has been set a reporting deadline of 23 December. It would be very useful to have your views on this matter by Monday 1 December, in time for the Committee's scrutiny session with the Counsel General on 2 December. However, we appreciate that the limited timeframe available may make this difficult, as such, we would appreciate a response by midday Friday 5 December at the very latest to inform the Committee's consideration of its report.

I have copied the letter to Karen Jones, Chair of the Board, who was unable to attend the oral session on this occasion.

We look forward to hearing your views.

Yours sincerely,

David F. Rees.

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Chair

