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Our ref: P-04-373

February 2014

Dear *Ann*

The Petitions Committee has been considering the following petition from Arfon Jones which collected 43 signatures:

The Petitioners call upon the Welsh Government to consider legislation to exclude Mobile Fast Food Vans from operating within a 400 metre exclusion zone around all schools in Wales during the hours of 8am to 4.30pm weekdays during term time.

The Committee considered this petition at our meeting on 21 January and agreed to highlight the petition to the Children, Young People and Education Committee in light of the current work you are doing on childhood obesity. I have also enclosed, for information, correspondence from Edwina Hart AM, Minister for Economy, Science and Transport, which you may find helpful.

Yours sincerely

William

William Powell AC / AM
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Enclosure: Correspondence from the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport

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17 December 2013

Dear William

Thank you for your request for an update on your trading in lay-bys petition.

Further to my letter dated 3 October 2013, I have been considering the issues, including the advantages and disadvantages of each option for addressing trading in lay-bys across the trunk road network in Wales.

In order to introduce a consistent policy across Wales, I am considering the possible phased introduction of licencing at existing sites, combined with a prioritised lay-by upgrade programme. Whilst this would incur additional expenditure, this would enable us to allow existing traders to remain in business, address the long term safety issues, control the potential adverse effects of trading in lay-bys and facilitate the development of new services for road users.

However, before taking a formal decision on this, I wish to seek the views of social partners, in particular the Federation of Small Businesses.

I will write to you again later next month once I have received their views.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Edwina Hart', written in a cursive style.