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Dear Mr Powell,

Re: Petition P-04—521 Regulating Caravan Sites

Thank you for your letter of 30 April and the accompanying correspondence.

The petition seeks an investigation whether safety legislation for holiday and residential caravan parks is adequate and/or properly enforced. In response, we question the basis for the petition's assertion of 'safety risks which do not appear to be adequately enforced at present' as we are unaware of evidence of uncontrolled hazards giving rise to accidents/incidents on parks in Wales

In his letter of January 2014, the Minister for Housing and Regeneration explains that caravan parks fall within the scope of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005. In common with other businesses, caravan parks' obligations under the order include to:

- carry out a fire risk assessment
- consider who may be at risk
- reduce the risk from fire as far as is reasonably possible and provide general fire precautions to deal with any risk remaining
- ensure any flammable or explosive materials are properly stored.

The petition's concerns should therefore be addressed through appropriate enforcement of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005. We note the letter from Ceredigion County Council of 10 February 2014 confirming the adequacy of the fire risk assessment in respect of Y Fron.

With my good wishes

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