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Dear William,

Thank you for your letter of 23 April requesting a specific update on a direct rail connection from Cardiff Airport to Cardiff Central and West Wales.

Cardiff Airport is currently served by a rail link connecting it to Cardiff Central and Bridgend. Trains run every hour from Monday to Saturday and every two hours on Sundays. Access to the rail station is provided by a shuttle bus service which connects with all trains.

Rail infrastructure is not currently devolved to the Welsh Government, and any new stations would be a decision for the UK Government and Network Rail. That said, we continue to identify priorities for investment in rail in Wales and bring those priorities to the attention of the UK Government.

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