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Dear colleague,

**Senedd Petitions: Your views on the public petitions process**

As we progress through the final year of the Sixth Senedd, the [Committee](#) has been considering its ways of working, and reviewing the [public petitions process](#) in order make recommendations to its successor committee in the Seventh Senedd.

Members agreed that, as part of that review process, it would be helpful to undertake a targeted consultation with some key organisations and representative bodies in Wales that we call upon to respond to Senedd petitions.

As a valued contributor to the work of the Committee, we would appreciate any views you have on this process of engaging with Senedd petitions. In particular:

- How we seek your responses to petitioners' issues and concerns: Are the timescales right? What has worked well in the Sixth Senedd? What has not worked well or could be improved?
- How should a future Petitions Committee best engage on recurrent policy issues which underpin the petitions we receive?
- Are there particular areas of accountability and decision-making in Welsh public life that the Committee could usefully focus its attention on?
- Do you have any other general observations about the Senedd Petitions process or [standards](#) for petitions? For example, how we gather evidence, or the priorities chosen by Members for its in-depth inquiries, engagement or visits.
- Is there anything missing from the way the Committee has traditionally engaged, or the particular groups or individuals engaged with?
- How might the rules around Senedd petitions need to change to support any improvements that you would recommend?

I look forward to your response. We understand that you may need to collate views from across the bodies or members you represent. It would be helpful if you could provide a coordinated response from your organisation **by Monday 22 September**.

If you have any questions or queries please don't hesitate to contact the clerking team at [Petitions@Senedd.Wales](mailto:Petitions@Senedd.Wales)

Yours Sincerely,



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**Chair**

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

