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Dear Carl,

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF ABOLITION OF THE RIGHT TO BUY AND ASSOCIATED RIGHTS (WALES) BILL

Thank you for your attendance at the Committee's meeting today to discuss the financial implications of this Bill. Further to your responses, the Committee would be grateful for further details on the estimated additional staff costs to the Welsh Government, which are set out in the Regulatory Impact Assessment as being £57,000, made up of £42,000 in 2017-18 and £15,000 in 2018-19.

In particular, the Committee would appreciate further details of how the estimated costs have been calculated, including a breakdown of the costs for producing guidance on how the law has changed, and communicating the policy change to social housing tenants.

You will recall that during the meeting, you also undertook to provide further details on the modelling used by the Welsh Government to measure the financial impact of the Bill on local authorities and registered social landlords.

The Committee would be grateful for a response by 22 May in order to consider the information in a timely manner ahead of agreeing its report on the Bill.

Yours sincerely



Simon Thomas
Chair

