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Dear *David,*

Thank you for your letter of 24 October regarding Petition P-05-780 to reopen Carno Station.

As per my previous response, the powers, funding and responsibility for the development of rail infrastructure in Wales is reserved to the UK Government. As a result, the Welsh Government currently receives no funding from the UK Government for new rail infrastructure and stations.

Despite the current devolution settlement and on-going pressures on our capital funding, we have continued to invest in the rail network to deliver services and infrastructure that meet our objectives. Indeed, since 2011, the Welsh Government has consistently invested more than the UK Government on enhancing the network in Wales.

I expect, and continue to make the case for, the UK Government to significantly increase expenditure on enhancements in Wales. Nevertheless, I will also continue to assess the case for further investment in the rail network and, when necessary and appropriate, will continue to direct the use of Welsh Government resources as budgets allow.

*Your emw,*  
*Ken*

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