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Thank you for your further letter of 8 December regarding P-05-774 Pass Wide and Slow Wales.

A summary of progress to date on the actions within the Road Safety Framework for Wales will be published in the New Year.

The Framework recognises the vulnerability of equestrian road users and contains one action for the Welsh Government in relation to them:

'Work with representatives of the horse riding community to understand their road safety concerns and facilitate engagement with other partners.'

My Officials have developed a productive working relationship with the Welsh National Manager of the British Horse Society. They regularly discuss how the safety of the horse riding community can be improved in Wales and how the Welsh Government can support the British Horse Society's work.

The Welsh Government has offered its support to the Pass Wide and Slow campaign since 2015, but to date no specific request for assistance has been submitted. We remain supportive of the campaign and willing to assist where that would be of use.

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My Officials have assisted the Welsh National Manager to develop working relationships with the Welsh Police Forces, including an introduction to the Welsh Roads Policing Group. They have also brokered introductions to road safety colleagues in our local authorities. My Officials have also worked with the local authorities to ensure that the safety of equestrian road users is included in the Pass Plus Cymru and Megadrive courses for young drivers.

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Your ever,

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