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Thank you for your letter of 27 February in your capacity as Chair of the Petitions Committee, addressed to Edwina Hart AM, which has been passed to me for reply as this is a transport related issue.

I have noted the petition received by the Petitions Committee and its request that the National Assembly support the call on the Welsh Government to work with Pembrokeshire County Council to ensure investment is made in a Town Centre Improvement Scheme for Fishguard.

Unfortunately, the scheme does not currently feature in existing programmes supported by Welsh Government such as the SWWITCH Regional Transport Plan or the National Transport Plan and as a result there is no financial commitment for the scheme in existing budgets.

I am aware that Pembrokeshire County Council is developing the Chimneys Link proposal that will address some of the issues highlighted in the petition. Due to the reduced capital funding available it is unlikely that Welsh Government will be in a position to support such improvements in the near future. This does not however prevent preparation work being undertaken to allow construction to move forward in the event of funding becoming available.

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