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Dear David,

Thank you for your letter of 22 October regarding Petition P-05-850 calling to Protect the Gwent Levels and stop the proposed M4 motorway.

As you will be aware, the year-long Public Inquiry robustly scrutinised all aspects of the proposals to address the problems of congestion on the M4 around Newport. The Inquiry provided the opportunity for everyone to be involved and for all views to be heard, both for and against. Following receipt of the Inspectors' report officials are now completing due diligence to review the findings and inform a decision on whether to make the Orders.

This work, as well as the committed Senedd debate and vote, will inform the final decision on whether the project proceeds.

On the basis of there being appropriate processes already in place for considering views and scrutiny of decision making it would not seem necessary or appropriate for the Petitions committee to consider this further but this is of course your decision.

Further information on the project is available at www.gov.wales/m4newport.

Yours ever,
Ken

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