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Eich cyf/Your ref P-05-833
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David John Rowlands AM
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Dear David,

Thank you for your letter of 16 October regarding petition P-05-833 - Improve rail services for Chepstow.

We have implemented a long term investment programme, with service improvements starting from the December 2018 timetable change and the latest changes introduced in 2024.

The planned increase in Wales and Borders Franchise services stopping at Chepstow cannot be achieved until December 2022 as the increase in the number of services is dependent on new rolling stock coming into service, and given the lead times for new rolling stock, they will not be available for use until that date. Passengers will experience better rolling stock by December 2019 as the old Pacers are replaced.

Yours ever,

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