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*Dear Janet,*

Thank you for your letter of 1 February regarding petition P-05-775 on taxi licensing and P-05-835 on free movement of taxi drivers.

Firstly, I would you like to thank the Taxi Drivers of Cardiff for their contribution to the consultation and I have forwarded to my officials to review.

As you are aware, we have been engaging with representative groups throughout the consultation period. We have had discussions with taxi and private hire vehicle drivers and representatives of the industry during our engagement events, which took place in February and March across Wales. We have noted concerns raised in relation to both cross border working and the numbers of licences being issued.

The formal consultation period for the White Paper has now closed. We are currently carrying out a full review of the consultation responses and will publish a report in due course. We will be taking all of the comments and consultation responses into consideration and this feedback will help inform our next steps for taxi and private hire vehicle policy in Wales. We recognise the vital transport service that taxis and private hire vehicles provide, connecting people to places when alternative public transport services are not available or viable.

*Yours ever,*  
*Ken*

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