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Mike Hedges,
Chair
Climate Change, Energy and Rural Affairs Committee
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8 October 2019

Dear Mike

I wish to thank you and members of the Climate Change, Energy and Rural Affairs Committee for considering Sir David Henshaw's suitability for the role of Chair to the Board of Natural Resources Wales on Thursday 26 September 2019.

I have fully considered the report prepared by the Committee and accept the Committee's conclusion in finding Sir David Henshaw to be a suitable candidate for the role of Chair to the Board of Natural Resources Wales.

I have therefore decided to appoint Sir David Henshaw as Chair of Natural Resources Wales. The appointment will commence on 1 November 2019, for a period of 4 years ending on 31 October 2023. I should be obliged if you would keep this offer in the strictest of confidence until the announcement has been made.

I very much appreciate the invaluable contribution of Committee members in this recruitment process. I believe that the undertaking of a pre-appointment hearing adds an extra layer of scrutiny and rigour to the assessment process, which can ultimately only add value to our public services in Wales. I also wish to thank the Committee for working closely with my officials in order to ensure the smooth operation of the pre-appointment hearing process.

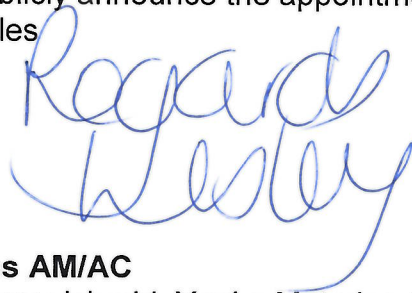
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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

I will shortly publicly announce the appointment of Sir David to the role as chair of Natural Resources Wales

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lesley Griffiths". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'L'.

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