Dear Elin,

THE NON-DOMESTIC RATING (MULTIPLIER) (WALES) ORDER 2019

I have today made the Non-Domestic Rating (Multiplier) (Wales) Order 2019, under paragraph 5(3) of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Finance Act 1988, which comes into force on 1 April 2020, subject to the Assembly’s agreement. I attach a copy of the statutory instrument and the accompanying Explanatory Memorandum, which I intend to lay once the statutory instrument has been registered.

In accordance with the procedure set out in paragraph 5(15) of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Finance Act 1988, this instrument must be approved by the National Assembly for Wales before the Assembly approves the Local Government Finance Report for the financial year beginning 1 April 2020, or before 1 March in the preceding financial year, whichever is earlier, in order for it to be effective. In these circumstances I understand Standing Order 21.4A is relevant and the Business Committee may establish and publish a timetable for the responsible committee or committees to report. It may be helpful to know that I intend to hold the plenary debate for this item of subordinate legislation on 10 December.

I am copying this letter to Mick Antoniw AM, Chair of the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee, Llyr Gruffydd AM, Chair of the Finance Committee and Sian Wilkins, Head of Chamber and Committee Services.

Yours sincerely,

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