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Dear William

Thank you for your letter of 23 January regarding a petition to fund a statue of Henry VII in Pembroke.

Whilst I recognise the contribution of the Tudor era to Wales's history, the Welsh Government does not generally fund the creation of new memorials or other commemorations.

Pembroke Castle, which is owned and managed by a private charitable trust, celebrates the dynasty of Henry VII and the Tudors and in itself acts as a substantial memorial to the birthplace of Henry VII. The castle includes tableuax depicting the birth of Henry VII in 1457 as well as the tower, known as Henry VII Tower which was reputedly where the birth took place. I note that you intend to write to a number of organisations for views on this petition and would suggest that you also contact the Pembroke Castle Trust at <a href="mailto:info@pembrokecastle.co.uk">info@pembrokecastle.co.uk</a> for its views.

For its part, Cadw will be considering further interpretation plans for the later Middle Ages in 2013/14 and this will include consideration of the interpretation of the role of the Tudors in Wales.

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