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Dear Bill

Thank you for your letter of 26 November, regarding support for the Children and Young People's Participation Standards.

I understand you have also written to Children in Wales asking them to respond to the petitioners' comments. As they are funded by the Welsh Government to drive forward the National Participation Standards, they are best placed to respond to the issues raised by Powys Youth Forum.

However, I have recently been updated on progress relating to the Standards. I am pleased Children in Wales have employed an experienced youth worker, who was involved with the original development of the Standards, to take the work forward. He has met with each Local Authority individually to discuss how they are currently delivering the Standards and what changes and developments could support their work further and also met with Powys Youth Forum during their residential weekend in October.

I understand discussions around proposals and next steps were discussed at the All-Wales Participation Workers Meeting on 1 December with a view to re-launching the revised Standards in the New Year.

Regards
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