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Dear William,

Thank you for your further letter of 16 about lighting at the Maerdy Bridge junction on the A483.

Trunk road junctions that do not serve an adjacent built up area are generally not lit. The majority of the accidents in this location have occurred during the hours of daylight. There are concerns that lighting the junction may increase vehicle speeds and reduce drivers' perception of the potential hazard.

Nonetheless, I take road safety issues on the trunk road network very seriously. I have already committed to implementing a number of improvements to the traffic signs in the vicinity of the junction this financial year. In addition to this, the junction will be re-surfaced and the hatching and white lining refreshed.

My officials will monitor the situation over the coming months to identify if further intervention, such as lighting, would provide additional improvement.

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