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Dear Darren,

Further to your letter dated 9^{th} February, please find below the WRU / Principality Stadium comments with regards to our engagement with Cardiff Airport.

In the planning and delivery of major events, the WRU and Principality Stadium works closely with all stakeholders promoting proactive dialogue and engagement to ensure all transport operators are able to maximise operating capacities and meet the specific demand profiles of the events.

In relation to the delivery of WRU/Principality Stadium events (6 Nations, Autumn Series etc), the WRU and Principality Stadium provides accurate event information for the torthcoming fixture via the "Stadium Events Liaison Group" (SELG.) It is via this group that the airport is provided with all relevant information from which to plan their event specific operation. The airport in turn provides the SELG with up to date inbound and outbound flight information, to ensure these crowd flows are captured in the wider event mobility plan.

For third party "World Events", which include Olympics, RWC 2015 and the UEFA Champions League 2017, the Local Organising Committee (LOC) for the event manages the external stakeholder engagement including the transport operators as part of its event specific mobility planning. The airport representatives play a critical role in this process, as all parties align their respective service levels and identify and prioritise core event delivery responsibilities.

We continue to have an excellent relationship with the staff at Cardiff Airport and are happy to explore other methods of communication with them in the future.

Kind regards,

Mark Williams

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