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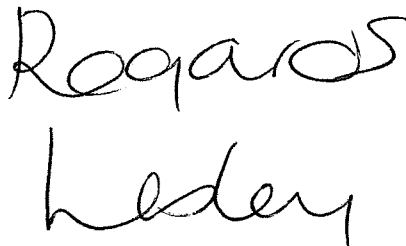
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Dear David

Thank you for your letter of 18 October, regarding P-05-778, Protect the Razor Clams on Llanfairfechan Beach.

The Welsh Government have commissioned a study to investigate the biology and ecology of razor clams in Wales in order to determine the most effective inter tidal and at sea stock assessment techniques. This work will be completed by 31 March 2018 and its recommendations will be used to plan a stock assessment survey of razor clams in early spring 2018. I will forward the committee a copy of the report together with the plans for the stock assessment survey.

Following the closure of the fishery on 18 August 2017, the Welsh Government's Marine Enforcement Officers have been present at Llanfairfechan during every suitable tide for razor clam gathering. My officers have provided information and guidance to members of the public on the beach and have seen no razor clams removed from the beach.



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