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Dear Williams Powell AM,

P-04-343 Prevent the Destruction of Amenities on Common Land

Thank you for your letter of 22 May addressed to John Griffiths AM, Minister for Environment and Sustainable Development, about Marian Common. The Environmental Impact Assessment (Uncultivated Land and Semi-Natural Areas) (Wales) Regulations 2007 fall within my portfolio and so your letter has been passed to me to provide a response.

An inspector visited this site and found that, although the area is quite clearly uncultivated/semi natural, this work is not a project for agricultural intensification of the land and therefore falls outside the EIA (Agriculture) Regulations. I have referred this case to Rural Inspectorate Wales to investigate if other regulations have been breached.

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