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Dear Colleague

I am writing to you in your role as Chair of your Local Service Board to present the report on the “Wales We Want” – the summary of a National Conversation which was initiated as part of the preparation for the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Bill.

You will be aware that this legislation was debated earlier this week by the National Assembly and includes proposals to establish statutory Public Services Boards, with the responsibility for Wellbeing Plans within their areas.

The “Wales we Want Report” has distilled the conversations of the last 12 months, which have directly involved nearly 7000 people, and sets out 7 foundations for the wellbeing of future generations that we feel need to be considered in the preparation of Wellbeing Plans.

There is obviously no statutory requirement for you to respond to the recommendations contained in this report, although this will be the expectation in the proposed legislation, where public bodies will have to consider the recommendations of the new Future Generations Commissioner. In the case of Public Services Boards, The Future Generations report must be taken into account when setting the objectives for the local well-being plan.

I do hope though that the report can be considered by the Local Service Board in the context of the proposed legislation. I look forward to working with you to support the process and to building a strong link in the transition to establishment of the new Future Generations Commissioner.
With best wishes

Yours sincerely

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Commissioner for Sustainable Futures
Chair, Climate Change Commission for Wales