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Dear Ivor,

Thank for your email of 12 March regarding Abertillery Railway Station. I am grateful for your interest in this matter.

I am pleased to note that our £70m investment in the Ebbw Vale line is making a positive difference to passengers, enabling Transport for Wales (TfW) to double the service frequency on this line and introduce a direct service to Ebbw Vale.

Further investment in the Ebbw Vale Line – including a spur at Abertillery – is subject to funding from the UK Government, which is responsible for this infrastructure. Proposals to reopen rail links to Abertillery were considered as part of the UK Government's 'Restoring Your Railway' programme, but this programme has been paused by the UK Government.

We remain supportive of proposals to further improve the Ebbw Vale Line and continue to work closely with the UK Government to develop a pipeline of rail enhancements across Wales. This includes the delivery of the rail recommendations of the South East Wales Transport Commission.

Yours sincerely,

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