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Dear Mrs Bowden

On behalf of the Association of Directors of Social Services in Wales (ADSS Cymru), we would like to congratulate you on your appointment as the new Minister for Social Care.

ADSS Cymru represents the collective voice of directors and senior leaders of social services across the 22 local authorities in Wales, who are responsible for delivering high-quality and sustainable social care and support to the people of Wales. We are committed to working in partnership with the Welsh Government, health boards, regulators, third sector and other stakeholders, to improve the well-being and outcomes of our citizens, especially the most vulnerable and disadvantaged.

We have enjoyed a strong and productive working relationship with your predecessor, and we look forward to continuing this with you and your new cabinet colleagues.

We are aware of the significant challenges and opportunities that lie ahead, as we continue to recover from the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, and the current cost of living crisis. It is imperative that our services evolve to respond to demographic, economic, and environmental changes that will affect our society in the coming years. We are ready to work with you and your officials to co-produce innovative and sustainable solutions that will meet the needs and aspirations of the people of Wales, and ensure that Wales is a fair, prosperous, and green nation.

We wish you all the best in your new role, and we hope to meet with you and your officials soon to discuss our shared priorities and ambitions for the future of social services in Wales.

Yours sincerely,

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