



Ein cyf/Our ref: WQ80746

Russell George MS
Welsh Parliament
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Dear Russell,

I'm writing in response to WQ80746: Will the Counsel General confirm what consideration has been given to awarding an additional one-off bonus, similar to the £500 bonus to care staff, to any other sectors of key workers, who like care sector workers, have been tirelessly working during the Covid-19 pandemic?

Welsh Government have provided a £500 one-payment to recognise the contribution made by social care staff and we are disappointed that the UK Government has not waived the tax and NI on this payment, meaning the full £500 will not reach the pockets of these staff – some the lowest paid in Wales.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Vaughan Gething".

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