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Dear Andrew,

Thank you for your Written Question: WQ90676, on the issue of whether I plan to introduce measures for local councils to better monitor the number of rough sleepers on the streets of Wales. I am writing to you to set out the Government's position on the matter.

Local authorities in Wales provide homelessness accommodation and rough sleeping data to Welsh Government, which is published monthly on Stats Wales.

Each month submitted data is quality assured and discussions are regularly held with local authorities to address data quality queries and ensure that submitted data is as robust as possible.

The collection of this data provides the Welsh Government with a regular means of monitoring rough sleeping and is a high priority for informing the response to homelessness and the need for accommodation more widely.

Yours sincerely,

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