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Dear Mike,

Further to my holding reply to WQ85815 of 22 August 2022 I am writing to provide a substantive answer to your question.

On 20 September I issued a <u>written statement</u> in response to the decision of Sport Wales to appoint Parkwood Leisure as its preferred strategic partner to ensure a long-term sustainable future for Plas Menai.

Throughout consultation on its preferred approach, Sport Wales has engaged with staff and unions on its proposals. I also had personal discussions with union officials throughout the process. The terms of the agreement with Parkwood Leisure will ensure that all staff at the centre will have their terms and conditions of employment protected and that Plas Menai will retain its status as the National Outdoor Centre, operated on a not-for-profit basis. My officials are closely monitoring the situation and engaging regularly with Sport Wales.

I will arrange for a copy of this reply to be placed in the Senedd Library.

Yours sincerely,

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