Y Pwyllgor Deisebau Petitions Committee



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Our ref: P-04-584

December 2014

Dear Alun Ffed

The Petitions Committee has been considering the following petition submitted by Nortridge Perrott:

P-04-584 Wales Planning Bill to Protect Town and Village Greens in Wales

We call on the National Assembly for Wales to urge the Welsh Government to legislate to ensure that the public and their needs for public open space in Wales is favoured against private developers, land bankers and Local authority Local development plans.

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Additional Information:

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At our Committee meeting on 9 December, Members considered correspondence from the Minister for Natural Resources and agreed to close the petition in light of the Wales Planning Bill being introduced into the Assembly on October 6 and which is currently receiving Stage 1 scrutiny from the Environment and Sustainability Committee.

In addition to closing the petition we agreed to ask your Committee to take this petition into account when reporting to the Assembly on the general principles of the Bill.

I would be grateful if any response to this could be forwarded to our Clerking Team at <u>Petition@wales.gov.uk</u>.

Yours sincerely

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