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Dear Ms Julie James

Re National Development Framework for Wales

I would like to mention 2 frequently unmentioned facts.

Housing

There are many houses left empty sometimes for 10s of years. There should be a policy compelling compulsory purchase after a set number of years. Some of these houses and other buildings could accommodate several families most are suitable for one family. There would have to be protection for the few owners who may be absent for valid reasons.

Energy supplies.

All new builds should have solar panels plus high standard insulation but have we forgotten that Wales has a source of energy every day without fail on our shores including the second highest tidal range in the world.

Since the project at Swansea has been abandoned would it not be possible to create small projects supplying different areas which together would make an important contribution to reducing climate change and increasing employment, research and innovation in Wales.

I hope these comments will be considered.

Yours sincerely

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