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To: Correspondence mail - JJ <Correspondence.Julie.James@gov.wales>

Subject: FW: Letter Re Arbed FAO Minister for Climate Change

Good Afternoon,

I am writing to Julie in support of the attached letter from Cllr Huw David, Leader of Bridgend County Borough Council, seeking to expedite the sign-off of the arrangements for remediation of the defective Arbed/Cesp work in Caerau.

The original announcement that Welsh Government had agreed that a business case should be put forward by BCBC was welcomed by those whose homes had been affected. There was though an expectation that progress could be relatively swift, and indeed an initial draft timetable suggested that following a prompt sign-off from WG and BCBC then discussions could begin with householders in the late spring/summer of 2022 with a view to then appointing contractors and commencing remediation work in the summer. Householders have reluctantly accepted a further delay over the summer with the understanding that the business case was being refined before sign-off.

Could I therefore simply ask that anything which can be done to sign-off the agreement rapidly be done. Then BCBC can begin the engagement with householders and contractors.

My thanks again for your engagement with this. I do not underestimate the efforts of Welsh Government and BCBC to get to this point. We just need to get it over the line now.

My kind regards,

Huw