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Rachel Knight
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22 September 2026

Dear Rachel

We are writing in response to your Report to Prevent Future Deaths dated 28 July 2026, following the inquest into the death of Cai Rhys Davies.

At the outset, we would like to express our deepest condolences to Cai's family, friends and all those affected by his tragic death. We recognise the profound and continuing impact of his loss and appreciate the work undertaken through the inquest to identify opportunities to prevent similar deaths.

We note that the Regulation 28 Report was addressed to us as the Cabinet Minister for Education and the Welsh Language and the Cabinet Minister for Culture and Sport. We understand that these ministerial offices may have been identified as those most closely corresponding to the UK Government Ministers also named in the Report. As ministerial portfolios are structured differently within the Welsh Government, there is not a direct alignment of responsibilities. However, in accordance with the Report's requirements, we submit this response as the Ministers to whom the report was addressed. For clarification purposes, the responsibility for the areas of concern raised within the Report sit primarily within the portfolios of the Cabinet Minister for Education and the Welsh Language and the Cabinet Minister for Enterprise, Connectivity and Energy.

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Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb gohebiaeth a dderbynnir yn Gymraeg yn yr iaith honno ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

We acknowledge the specific concern identified in your report:

“A lack of awareness and education amongst the general public, both young and old around unsolicited social media approaches, and the danger of sextortion scamming, which may lead to future deaths.”

We have carefully considered your concern about the lack of public awareness of unsolicited social media approaches and the dangers posed by the online exploitation and coercion identified in your report. We recognise the devastating harm that online exploitation can cause and agree that improving awareness of these risks, warning signs and routes to support is an important part of preventing harm.

In accordance with the instructions, we have completed the attached template to set out the action taken to date in Wales and the further action proposed to improve awareness of these risks, strengthen prevention and ensure that people affected by online exploitation can access appropriate support.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention through your Prevention of Future Deaths Report. We trust that this response provides assurance that the concern you have identified is being taken seriously and will inform our continuing work to protect the safety and well-being of children, young people and adults in Wales.

Yours sincerely,

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