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Dear Julie,

Thank you for your letter regarding the proposed appointment of Debbie Williams as Chair of the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales, without competition.

I provisionally agreed to the approach you are taking in August and I am grateful that you have consulted me on the proposed individual ahead of announcement. I am content with the appointment of Ms Williams for a term of two years, as was the length of tenure agreed in our earlier correspondence.

Given that the two previous appointments processes for this role did not result in an appointment, I would be grateful if you could keep my office updated on your plans to ensure the post is filled through fair and open competition once Ms Williams' term has ended.

*All best wishes
yours sincerely
Peter*

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