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Dear Janet,

Thank you for your letter of the 20 April regarding the Llanfairfechan and Penmaenmawr razor clam beds.

The razor clam beds in Llanfairfechan and Penmaenmawr were originally closed on the 18 August 2017. The closure of the beds has been extended on a number of occasions. The beds remain closed and the current notice will expire on 31 December 2022. My officials continue to update signage at both villages to raise awareness of the closures.

Welsh Government marine enforcement officers (MEOs) regularly patrol the North Wales coast including the beaches at Llanfairfechan and Penmaenmawr to monitor fishing activity. MEOs have not identified any recent instances of razor clam gathering in this area. In addition to routine patrols, MEOs will continue to carry out targeted enforcement on the most suitable tides to ensure compliance.

If your constituents have any intelligence regarding illegal activity, they can report it to:
Fisheries-Intel@gov.wales

Many thanks

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