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Dear Janet,

Thank you for your email of 22 November about Conwy Town Walls.

My officials in Cadw inform me that the upper tower (to the western point of the medieval walls) has been temporarily closed due to safety concerns over the robustness of the timber landing, steps and railings. Cadw has already undertaken inspections of the tower and the wall walks (running from Upper Gate towards the Bangor Arch) and intends to improve accessibility, increase the height of the railings and, subject to scheduled monument consent, greatly improve the visitor experience at the upper tower.

As you rightly say, the tower affords the best views across the town, castle and estuary and a modestly designed intervention should improve matters.

Cadw is currently seeking to appoint a design team with the intention of designing, seeking all statutory and funding approvals, and tendering the works during the summer of 2023 with the planned works being undertaken during the subsequent quieter winter season.

Yours sincerely,

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