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Via email: darren.millar@senedd.cymru

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Dear Darren,

During questions on 2 June 2026 you raised concerns that an MS / MP notification had not been issued ahead of the Cabinet Minister for Health and Care's visit to Ysbyty Glan Clwyd on 27 May.

I have since sought clarification from the Cabinet Minister, who confirmed that this was a private, information gathering visit for him to meet staff and the Chair and Chief Executive of the Health Board. This was not a public visit.

The Ministerial Code is clear that notifications are issued only in relation to visits of a public nature. This was not a public event and therefore an MS / MP notification was not required.

For ease, the relevant section in the Ministerial Code is copied below:

9.17 It is the custom for a Minister when preparing to make a visit of a public nature within Wales to inform the Members of the Senedd for the constituency and the MP for the area. Special care should be taken not to overlook this courtesy, though judgement should be applied when it comes to potential security risks. Ministers cannot invite MSs or MPs to accompany them to functions organised by a third party, but adequate notice to the relevant MSs or MP will enable them to ensure that they have an opportunity to request invitations from local organisers to functions of an official nature, should they wish to attend.

The Cabinet Minister's office had regard to the Code in considering and reaching the view not to issue a notification in respect of this engagement.

Yours sincerely,

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