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Dear Russell,

Pleased find attached my responses to Written Assembly Questions you have recently raised with me.

**WAQ68711**

**Russell George (Montgomeryshire):** Does the Welsh Government intend to make any changes to the balance of the Rural Development Plan? (WAQ68711)

**Rebecca Evans:** I'm currently consulting on the Basic Payment Scheme. After the consultation we will look again at the Rural Development Programme and see if we have the right balance, but there will be opportunities throughout the programme make adjustments.

**WAQ68704**

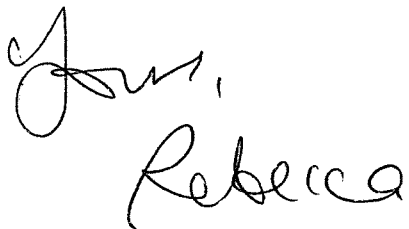
**Russell George (Montgomeryshire):** Will the Minister make a statement on the progress which has been made on the short term milestones contained within the Action Plan for the Food and Drink Industry 2014-2020? (WAQ68704)

**Rebecca Evans:** I will be giving an update on "Towards Sustainable Growth: An Action Plan for the Food and Drink Industry 2014-2020" in the Senedd on 30 June.

**WAQ68718**

**Russell George (Montgomeryshire):** Will the Minister outline what discussions the Welsh Government has had with banks about some farmers who will potentially need assistance in the event of late payments under the Basic Payment Scheme? (WAQ68718)

**Rebecca Evans:** I do not expect to make these payment late.

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