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Gareth Davies MS

31 October 2025

Dear Gareth,

I am writing to provide further information on the A55 following our exchange during transport oral questions on 22 October.

I would like to begin by expressing my sincere condolences to the families affected by the recent tragic incidents on this section of road. Road safety remains a priority for the Welsh Government and we take these matters extremely seriously.

The police record information about incidents they attend and routinely pass data related to personal injury collisions to Welsh Government. This enables us to determine whether further mitigation measures are required at specific areas, such as a change in speed limit or engineering measures to improve road safety. We await details of the most recent collisions from the police as part of this process. We do not receive information related to incidents where there have been no personal injuries and any incidents that are not reported to the police will not be recorded.

The A55, along with the A494, forms a key arterial route into north Wales and is vital for the movement of people and goods and supporting and the economy. For this reason, we are progressing with delivering the River Dee Bridge replacement and a safety and resilience study along Aston Hill. The delivery of these schemes will help improve safety, the flow of traffic, resilience and reduce the volume of disruptive maintenance works required on the network. In addition, the Cabinet Secretary for Transport and North Wales has launched [Network North Wales](#), our ambitious plan to deliver an integrated, high-frequency public transport network for North Wales.

We are also undertaking a transport needs and resilience study along the A55 and A494 corridor. This will develop a robust, evidence-led understanding of transport challenges and opportunities along this corridor along with potential interventions to address them. The study will focus on safety, connectivity, resilience, accessibility, operational performance, climate resilience and supporting economic growth.

We fully acknowledge that unplanned and emergency closures of the A55 can have a considerable impact on local communities, drivers and businesses. This is not unique to North Wales and similar challenges are experienced across the UK whenever major roads are closed in emergencies.

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

To minimise the delays caused by incidents and breakdowns along the A55 corridor we operate a Traffic Officer service for 365 days a year who can quickly remove vehicles / obstructions from the roadside to improve traffic flows. Our Traffic Wales communication service also provides the travelling public with 'live' information regarding journey times and delays / incidents to assist with journey planning.

I can assure you that the Welsh Government remains committed to improving safety and resilience across the A55. We will continue to work with our partners, including NMWTRA and local authorities, to assess what further mitigation measures may be appropriate for this stretch of trunk road.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rebecca Evans". The signature is written in a cursive style with a clear, legible font.

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