



Ein cyf/Our ref: WQ81286

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Dear Adam

I am writing in response to WQ81286: *Will the First Minister (i) list each separate piece of evidence the Welsh Government, including the Technical Advisory Cell on its behalf, commissioned following the recommendations of the SAGE committee meeting of 21 September 2020, and (ii) provide the date on which those pieces of advice were commissioned?*

I apologise for the delay in replying to your question. Following the recommendations of the SAGE committee meeting on 21 September 2020, the Technical Advisory Cell commissioned Swansea University to carry out a firebreak sensitivity analysis. This work was commissioned the week commencing 12 October.

On 19 October, the Technical Advisory Cell published the evidence behind its advice about the firebreak and the closure of hospitality and other businesses, which had seen an increased number of coronavirus outbreaks. The recommendations in this paper are consistent with the SAGE papers published on 21 September. The Technical Advisory Cell paper is available at: <https://gov.wales/technicaladvisory-group-fire-breaks>

A paper about the effectiveness of non-pharmaceutical interventions was published by the Technical Advisory Group in November 2020. This provided an evaluation of the effects of

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the local and national control measures in Wales in September and October 2020:
<https://gov.wales/technical-advisory-group-effectiveness-non-pharmaceutical-interventions-local-health-protection>

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Drakeford". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

MARK DRAKEFORD