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Dear Andrew

Thank you for your recent Written Question regarding the budget for completing the upgrade of the Heads of the Valley road.

We have assumed you are referring to the final section of the A465 dualling project: Section five & six between Dowlais Top and Hirwaun.

I can confirm that the available for construction cost remains the same as per the original contract, awarded in October 2020.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Julie James". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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