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Dear Natasha,

Thank you for your Written Questions asking me to advise when the updated national Welsh hearing loss strategy will be published.

In May 2017, Welsh Government published their first integrated Framework of Action for Wales; the Integrated framework of care and support for people who are D/deaf or living with hearing loss. Following the pandemic, this Framework was extended to run until 2023 and has been successful in delivering a number of developments and improvement across NHS Audiology service in Wales.

The final outcomes paper will highlight the Framework of Action successes and ongoing challenges. I will review the outcomes paper and consider next steps for 2023-24 and beyond. This will be the time to determine whether it will be appropriate to develop a national hearing loss strategy or future plan of action.

Yours sincerely,

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