



Ein cyf/Our ref: WQ88750

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Dear Paul,

I am writing to response to WQ88750: Will the Minister publish a list of his meetings and engagements with those in the space sector since 2021?

The space sector in Wales is one of our key economic sectors we are developing and is covered by various strategies, including the Manufacturing Action Plan, Innovation Strategy and its own strategic plan, and as such, features in many of my meetings and engagements.

Since 2021, I have met with a wide range of companies, from SpaceForge to Airbus, and take every opportunity to promote Wales space capabilities and explore opportunities for further development. I have attended key trade shows and hosted receptions, for example, I recently hosted a reception in Cardiff for the European Space Agency and attended the Paris Air Show. At both events I met companies and organisations who are key players in the space sector. I have also met with Ministers from UK Government and Scottish Government, where Wales space sector has been discussed. We do not hold this information in the form of a list as the matter has been raised in a wide variety of settings by the Minister and Welsh Government officials'.

Yours sincerely

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