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Janet Finch-Saunders MS Welsh Parliament Cardiff Bay Cardiff CF99 1SN

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Dear Janet,

I'm writing in response to WQ81923: What steps will the Minister take in response to the finding by Public Health Wales that less than a third of adolescents only eat a portion of vegetables once a day?

We will be launching a 2021-22 Healthy Weight: Healthy Wales Delivery Plan in the spring, which will be supported by £6.5m funding and this will reflect the issues and challenges which have arisen from the pandemic. We know that promoting healthy eating will require a multi-component approach and there is no single way to achieve this aim.

Funding for the delivery plan will be used for a number of initiatives, including to deliver systems-based approaches, such as work with schools, communities and third sector groups to develop locally led solutions. As part of the plan, we wish to introduce legislation to take action in areas such as price promotions and hot food takeaways close to schools. We will continue to engage with children and young people to promote healthy eating and we have been working with the Veg Power campaign, and utilising our Healthy Weight Ambassadors to promote healthier choices for children and young people.

Yours sincerely,

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