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Dear Delyth,

Thank you for your email of 25 August on behalf of your constituent who is concerned about the protection of possible ancient monuments near Llanfabon. I understand that our correspondence has been overtaken by events and that you met with Cadw's Inspector of Ancient Monuments when he visited Tair Waun Isaf Farm to carry out an inspection of the stones.

I am informed by my officials in Cadw that one stone at the farm has been identified as a cup-marked stone dating to the late Neolithic or early Bronze Age period. This is a really exciting new discovery, as there are relatively few known in Wales. The other stones were also examined but were not thought to be of archaeological or historical significance.

Cadw is in the process of preparing the scheduling paperwork for the cup-marked stone. It will receive interim protection from the point at which the scheduling consultation commences, which should be soon. I understand that the energy scheme has not yet received planning permission and that the cables, if permitted, will not affect the monument.

Yours sincerely,

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