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Dear Janet,

Thank you for your letter of 31 January on behalf of your constituents regarding roadworks on the A55 between Bangor and Llanfairfechan.

The majority of construction work undertaken as part of the A55 Abergwyngregyn to Tai'r Meibion improvement scheme between Junction 12 and Junction 13 was carried out while maintaining two lanes of traffic in each direction with overnight closures to minimise disruption to residents and road users.

During the scheme development, the Welsh Government announced that the existing carriageway surfacing between Junction 13 and Junction 14 would also be replaced with a low noise surfacing at the request of the residents of Abergwyngregyn. The resurfacing work was due to be completed before the 2022 summer traffic embargo, but a delay to the programme due to Covid-19 required the works to be re-programmed for September, between two planned closures on the A55: A55 tunnel closures and ongoing Network Rail works on Britannia Bridge. The resurfacing works were completed and A55 carriageways were reopened for traffic on the 22 September 2022.

The westbound speed limit is due to be removed in the next couple of weeks followed by the eastbound speed limit by the middle of March when work is planned to be completed.

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The 40mph speed restriction along the 2.1km length of the A55 Abergwyngregyn to Tai'r Meibion is for the safety of road users and the workforce while undertaking the improvement work next to two-lanes of traffic. On the westbound carriageway, work is being carried out to improve a section for walkers and cyclists as well as improvements to the existing A55 at Junction 12, including safety barrier work. On the A55 eastbound carriageway, a new section of Non-Motorised User path is being constructed adjacent to the carriageway, opposite Pentre Aber Farm.

Yours sincerely,

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