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Dear Dean

I am writing to advise you that today I am launching the Circular Textiles Fund. The Programme for Government set out our commitment that in the first half of 2022 the Scottish Government would introduce a new £2 million Fund, to support businesses working in this sector to address issues associated with textile waste and throwaway culture.

The aim of the fund is to improve the circularity of textiles in Scotland through innovation and implementation, to help tackle the environmental impacts that textiles have. The fund will provide opportunities for public, private and third-sector organisations of all sizes to develop and deliver solutions to reduce waste and carbon impacts of all textiles (clothing and household).

The fund will be implemented by Zero Waste Scotland and further information on the fund can be found on its website at:

<https://www.zerowastescotland.org.uk/content/circular-textiles-fund>

I hope that the Committee finds this information useful.

Kind regards

LORNA SLATER

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