Dear Roseanna,

Final Climate Change Plan

I am writing with regard to the draft Climate Change Plan and the progress towards finalising this report. As you know, the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee, along with three other Committees in the Scottish Parliament, undertook extensive scrutiny of the draft Plan earlier this year. The Committee maintains a keen interest in this and has written to you since the publication of its report seeking updates and to provide information.

You have also at several points invited the Committee to continue to provide its views on aspects of the draft Plan, such as the proposed monitoring framework and the Committee welcomes your commitment to work collaboratively to finalise the Plan.

The Committee is aware from the useful updates you have provided it, along with your statement to Parliament on 13 June 2017, that progress is being made and the final Plan will be published in early 2018.

To that end, the Committee seeks an update on progress towards the final Plan, including:

- The monitoring and evaluation framework and how the Committee might provide “its views on how it could be made even more robust”;
- The TIMES Model runs which have been undertaken since the Committee’s report was published;
- Updates on opportunities for the Committee to work collaboratively with you on its recommendations on the draft Plan;

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1 Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee, Official Report, 21 February 2017, Col 21
• How the Scottish Government is addressing the recommendations to improve the draft made by the Committee on Climate Change in their 2017 Scotland progress report;
• An indication of the date of publication of the final Climate Change Plan, beyond the intention to publish this in early 2018.

A response to this letter would be welcomed by 27 October 2017 and I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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