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Dear Andrew,

Please find below the answer to your Written Question:

**Andrew RT Davies, South Wales Central (WQ91402(e)):** What assessment has the Minister made of the biggest threats to farming in Wales?

**Lesley Griffiths:** The key threats to farming and food security in Wales are climate change and the nature emergency. Climate change is making agriculture impossible in parts of the world on which we currently rely for food, and crucially, the places billions of other people rely on for food. This is why climate change mitigation and adaptation are central to Welsh Government agricultural policy, to ensure food can be produced sustainably in Wales for generations to come.

My officials also monitor short terms risks and regularly attend Agricultural Market Monitoring Group meetings to share data with the other Governments of the UK and assess the potential for disruption to agricultural markets. This includes discussing sector-by-sector price and trade data, consideration of input costs and analysis of how geopolitical events and incidences of extreme weather affect food supply.

Regards,

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