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Dear Jenny,

Further to the question you raised in plenary on Wednesday 13 March I agreed to write to you in relation to the Newport Breastfeeding Welcome Premises Scheme.

The scheme was launched in March 2018 and developed through the One Newport partnership as a result of work being carried out by the former Newport Single Integrated Plan (SIP). The scheme is Newport wide and is aimed at any publically accessed buildings to encourage them to provide a supportive environment and to display the Breastfeeding Welcome logo, poster and information so breastfeeding families know that they are welcome. I am pleased to see the number of premises engaged in this scheme continues to grow and schools, libraries, community centres, cafes, restaurants and bars currently support the scheme and have joined the publically available register.

A formal assessment of the scheme is not currently available and data on breastfeeding rates for local authorities, for the calendar year 2018, will be published later in the summer. However, I welcome the growth of this scheme and its aim to ensure breastfeeding in public places, is supported and seen as a normal and natural way of life.

Yours sincerely,

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