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Dear Glyn

ASSESSMENT OF STATISTICS FROM THE NATIONAL SURVEY FOR WALES

On behalf of the Board of the Statistics Authority, the Assessment Committee was pleased to see that the Statistics from the National Survey for Wales reviewed in Assessment Report number 250 were assessed as complying with the Code of Practice.

The designation of the Statistics from the National Survey for Wales as National Statistics is based on your commitment regarding user engagement that we included in paragraph 1.4.1 of the Assessment Report.

It is a requirement of the Statistics and Registration Service Act 2007 that the Code of Practice must continue to be complied with in relation to the statistics. We would invite you to incorporate the attached text in publications containing the statistics. This text may only be used where National Statistics designation has been awarded following an Assessment report. It is intended to convey a strong and independent endorsement for the statistical publication.

I am copying this letter to Jil Matheson, the National Statistician, and to Chris McGowan.

Yours sincerely

Richard Alldritt

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Director General, Monitoring and Assessment

Text that may only be used in publications that carry the National Statistics logo following assessment and designation:

The United Kingdom Statistics Authority has designated these statistics as National Statistics, in accordance with the Statistics and Registration Service Act 2007 and signifying compliance with the Code of Practice for Official Statistics.

Designation can be broadly interpreted to mean that the statistics:

- meet identified user needs;
- are well explained and readily accessible;
- are produced according to sound methods; and
- are managed impartially and objectively in the public interest.

Once statistics have been designated as National Statistics it is a statutory requirement that the Code of Practice shall continue to be observed.