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Dear William

Re: Major Capital Projects Inquiry

Thank You for your letter dated 29th July 2020.

I can confirm that the existing Procurement Board membership consists of the Permanent Secretaries and seven external members. Three external members are drawn from the construction industry; representing designers, contractors and suppliers. A former President of the Construction Employers Federation (CEF) is an external member. We also have ongoing constructive engagement with CEF through the Construction Industry Forum (CIFNI).

CPD is conducting a review of the Procurement Board membership as part of a wider review of public procurement. The Executive has also agreed to the establishment of a cross-departmental group to develop a sector strategy for the construction industry.

I will be happy to update you on these initiatives as they progress.

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