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Gareth Hills
National Officer
FDA Cymru|Wales

30 March 2023

Dear Gareth,

Re: Pay at Welsh Government and other Devolved Bodies

Thank you very much for your letter and please accept my apologies for the delay in responding.

The results of the FDA members' survey make stark reading and I am very conscious of how challenging the continued high cost of living is for many.

I regret that I am not in a position to reopen the 2022-23 pay settlement for WG staff or to make any additional funding available. The 4% award was a financial stretch for the Welsh Government as an employer and for the bodies in the devolved public sector who mirror or analogue to the Welsh Government pay settlement. An additional award in 2022-23 would not be affordable. We are now considering our pay remit for 2023-24 and look forward to receiving claims from the three Welsh Government unions in due course.

I would be very happy to meet you and representatives of PCS and Prospect to discuss this and have asked my office to suggest some suitable dates.

Yours sincerely,

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