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Dear Julie

I am writing on the ongoing issue of Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA) backlogs.

In your letter dated 18 March, you stated you were on track to return to normal turnaround times on drivers' paper applications by the end of May and drivers' medical applications by the end of September. The Committee would be grateful for a response to the following questions:

1. What is the current total backlog for all applications?
2. How many cases do you now have which are older than 10 weeks?
3. Did DVLA achieve the return to normal turnaround times on drivers' paper applications by the end of May? Has that turnaround time remained steady since?
4. Are you still on track to return to normal turnaround times for drivers' medical applications by the end of September?

I note that the draft Legislative Reform (Provision of Information etc. Relating to Disabilities) Order 2022 has been approved by both Houses and will be made shortly.

5. What effect do you expect the Order to have on the timescales for applications where a driver has a medical condition?

I would be grateful for your response by 8 August 2022.

Best wishes

Huw Merriman

Chair of the Transport Committee