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Dear Andy,

### **HMP and YOI Parc**

This letter is to provide an update to the Committee on HMP and YOI Parc, following several news reports on staff conduct at the prison.

The Corruption, Crime and Policing Unit (CCPU) of HM Prison and Probation Service (HMPPS) is working closely with South Wales Police, following the discovery of messages on social media shared between staff relating to excessive use of force on prisoners and other serious allegations.

These reports are solely in relation to the adult population, and do not involve the youth estate.

Four Prison Custody Officers have been arrested by South Wales Police on charges of either Assault or Misconduct in Public Office.

G4S and HMPPS are supporting the Police with their ongoing, live investigations and working to ensure the appropriate action is taken, including suspending G4S staff, where necessary.

HMPPS has a clear strategy for tackling corruption and staff misconduct and HMPPS in Wales will continue to work in close partnership with HMP and YOI Parc and G4S senior officials to ensure any misconduct is identified and met with appropriate, timely consequences.

The vast majority of staff at HMP and YOI Parc are hardworking, honest individuals who do their best for the people in their care. HMPPS have had assurances that any staff suspensions will not impact safe staffing levels at the prison.

I will continue to keep the Committee informed on any relevant developments at HMP and YOI Parc.

**Lord Timpson**  
**Minister for Prisons, Probation and Reducing Reoffending**