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Head of Stakeholder and Public Relations | Pennaeth Cysylltiadau Cyhoeddus a
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Monday 4th December 2023

Dear Gwyn Thomas,

Re: Hunting and Trespassing on Welsh Water land in Cilcain

I write in relation to unsavoury and inhumane events which sadly took place on land belonging to Welsh Water in Cilcain, near Mold, in North East Wales last week.

Photographs and video footage shared on social media depict members of the Flint and Denbigh Hunt trespassing on land at Cilcain Reservoir 4 to carry out abhorrent hunting activities.

I am deeply concerned by the images and videos which I have seen, not least because of the nature of the activities being carried out, but also because of the potential reputational damage which exists for Welsh Water for this activity to be taking place on land for which it is responsible.

I trust that this hunt was carried out without the knowledge of Welsh Water, but in response, I would welcome the following:

- Publication of Welsh Water's response to this hunt, as well as your broader stance on hunting on your land and the processes you have in place to stop it.
- The actions which Welsh Water are taking to ensure that these inhumane activities can not take place in future.
- An outline of any enforcement action you intend to take against the perpetrators in this case.

Yours Sincerely,



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