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John Walter Jones



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Dear John,

Thank you for your letter of 6 December informing me of your decision to retire as Chair of the Authority with immediate effect. I am sorry that you felt this was the only option to make progress at S4C.

I would like to thank you for your 6 years of dedicated service to the channel and the way you have approached your roles as both a member of the Authority and subsequently as Chair.

I have always maintained my position that Welsh Language television broadcasting is a vital part of the media sector and I would like to thank you for your significant contribution to it.

I agree with you that the best next step to ensure a strong and sustainable future for this public service broadcaster and its audience is to progress meaningful negotiations between S4C and the BBC.

I extend my best wishes for your future endeavours.

*Yours ever
Jeremy*

Rt Hon Jeremy Hunt MP
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