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Dear David Nash,

Thank you for your letter of 13 October 2020. Our consultation on detailed proposals for the regulation of short-term lets in Scotland closed on 16 October. We have engaged with a wide range of stakeholders on the detail of the proposals and received over 1,000 responses. We will carefully consider all responses to the consultation ahead of laying regulations giving local authorities powers to license short-term lets and introduce control areas in Parliament in December.

The Scottish Government is committed to getting the regulation right. Although the consultation is now closed, we will, of course, continue listening but we need to focus on work to finalise the statutory instruments. It would be premature to comment on the final shape of the legislation while we are still considering all the stakeholder comments from events and responses.

We are committed to monitoring and evaluating the impact of the legislation to ensure that it is effective and targeted. We can take action in the next Parliament if this is not the case.

Yours sincerely

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