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Dear Owen,

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I am writing to provide you with the Government's response to the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs (AMCD) report *Drug related harms in homeless populations and how they can be reduced*, published in June 2019. I am grateful for the hard work of the ACMD in producing these recommendations.

As the Minister for Homelessness, I have seen first-hand the effect dangerous substances can have on vulnerable people. This is why I am committed to reducing the impact of drug related harms for those who are homeless. I will be working with key partners to ensure that this happens.

The Government has considered the ACMD's advice and I am pleased to say we have accepted many of the recommendations. Where we feel that we cannot wholly accept the recommendation as written I have offered a rationale for this.

LUKE HALL MP