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Dear Mr Thomas

## Response to the S4C Authority Consultation Paper on Serving Children in the Digital Future

I write in relation to the Assembly Broadcasting service element of the above consultation.

Wales Council for Voluntary Action represents, campaigns for, supports and develops voluntary organisations, community action, and volunteering in Wales. It represents the sector at a European, UK, and national level, and together with a range of national specialist agencies, county voluntary councils, and volunteer bureaux, and other development agencies, it provides a support structure for the third sector in Wales. It has over 2,000 members, and is in touch with many more organisations through a wide range of national and local networks.

WCVA fully endorses the response made by Wales Environment Link to this consultation. We share the view that the broadcasting of Assembly business is vital for engaging people in politics and wider debate on the issues affecting communities and individuals across Wales. The loss of this service would have an adverse effect on the ability of civil society to participate in and follow the work of the Assembly.

As suggested by Wales Environment Link, WCVA as a key stakeholder has an important contribution to make to your consideration of this matter and we would welcome the opportunity to speak to you further.

Yours faithfully,

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**Deputy Chief Executive**