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Annwyl Ken,

It was with great disappointment that I read your comment, reported by the BBC, that:

"The claim from Friends of the Earth is misleading".

I would be grateful if you could clarify which claim of ours is misleading, and provide evidence to support your claim.

As you know, we have struggled for many months to retrieve information from the Welsh Government on congestion on the M4. The information finally revealed – under order by the Information Commissioner – explicitly confirms that the Welsh Government lied to the people of Wales in the exhibition material of September 2015.

Your current stance appears to be attempting to defend the indefensible: that the Welsh Government lied.

I should be grateful for a clear and public statement deploring the lies of the previous administration. I should also be grateful for an independent investigation into how the Welsh Government came to lie to the people of Wales, spend hundreds of thousands of pounds of taxpayers' money propagating those lies, and then attempt to suppress the information that was necessary to unveil the lies.

Yr eiddoch yn gywir,

Gareth Clubb