Parish Pastoral Council St Mary's Cathedral Regent Street Wrexham 07.07.25

An Open Letter to:

The Chief Executive of Wrexham County Borough Council (on behalf of elected Councillors)

Members of the Senedd:

Lesley Griffiths, Ken Skates

Mark Isherwood, Sam Rowlands, Carolyn Thomas, Llyr Gruffydd

Andrew Ranger, Member of Parliament

Dear Elected Representatives,

This letter is written on behalf of the Parish Council of the Catholic parish of St, Mary's Wrexham, the city's Cathedral. It is sent in the context of the Prime Minister's speech of 12th May 2025 when he spoke of what he considered to be the "incalculable damage" that immigration has caused to society, contributing to what he sees as "an island of strangers", (words he has later regretted saying, but they were said, published and widely reported). At a recent meeting, our Parish Council agreed that I write to you in the following terms:

Our Church community is multi-cultural and each of its members are the others' friends; there are no "strangers". Jesus said we must love our neighbours as we love ourselves; that is what we do.

We value the contribution that all our members make to us and to society at large wherever they (or their parents and grandparents) were born – we are one community, and part of the wider community of Wrexham and the country of Wales.

Yours faithfully,

Kay Ryan

Acting Chair of St Mary's PPC.

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