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16 November 2023

Dear Clare,

## **RESTRICTING PROMOTIONS OF FOOD AND DRINK HIGH IN FAT, SUGAR OR SALT (HFSS)**

Following my statement to the Scottish Parliament on 30 May 2023 I am writing to update the Committee on work to restrict the promotion of food and drink that are high in fat, sugar or salt (HFSS) where they are sold to the public.

As set out in my statement, we are committed to progressing the legislation necessary to restrict promotions on less healthy food and drink. In doing so, it is important that we take a robust approach to consultation.

I am now taking forward a more focused consultation on the detail of proposed regulations, beginning with a series of Ministerial Roundtable events with food and drink manufacturing, wholesale and retail stakeholders and public health stakeholders starting on 16 November.

The outputs from these events will further inform the development of our consultation document on the remaining detail of proposed regulations, which will be published early in 2024. Subject to the outcome of the consultation process, we will then proceed to laying regulations.

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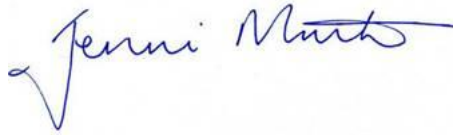
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I look forward to working with you and the Committee on our proposals.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jenni Minto". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'J'.

**Jenni Minto MSP**

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