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Second Severn Crossing

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I have long been of the opinion that title of 'Second Severn Crossing' is not fitting for the main gateway to Wales from the South West.

You will be aware that the Severn River Crossings will be returning to public ownership in 2018, once the current operating concession comes to an end. The Crossings are vital pieces of the UK's infrastructure and together have united the people of Wales and England for 50 years.

At this time the Prince of Wales will also be celebrating 50 years since the title was bestowed on him by Her Majesty the Queen. To mark this occasion the UK Government therefore intends to rename the Second Severn Crossing the 'Prince of Wales Bridge' in honour of the significant contribution that the Prince of Wales has made to our nation.

I am sure you'll join me in welcoming this positive announcement.

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