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THE PRIME MINISTER

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Dear Meg,

Many congratulations on your appointment as Chair of the Liaison Committee. I know the Committee will benefit from your wealth of experience, including as Chair of Public Accounts and Treasury committees and as a dedicated MP for your constituents in Hackney South and Shoreditch.

I place great importance on the Committee's work and look forward to appearing before it on 19 December. I was pleased to speak with you earlier today to discuss how best we can work together.

Please also extend my congratulations to the other members of the Committee in taking up their roles. Their committees perform a key function in scrutinising the Government, and I expect Ministers to meet the highest standards in engaging with their work.

Plan for Change

Please find a copy of *Plan for Change* enclosed. Copies have also been laid in both Houses.

The predecessor Committee's work on strategic thinking in Whitehall has proven invaluable as *Plan for Change* developed. We hope that members are reassured by the Government's approach, and that it will support all committees in their scrutiny.

The Government has five national Missions to deliver on the priorities of working people:

1. Kickstart economic growth.
2. Build an NHS fit for the future.
3. Safer streets.
4. Break down the barriers to opportunity.
5. Make Britain a clean energy superpower.

To mark the next phase in Mission-led Government, last week I published *Plan for Change*. This sets out ambitious but achievable milestones that will be reached before the end of the Parliament:

- Raising living standards in every part of the United Kingdom, so working people have more money in their pocket as we aim to deliver the highest sustained growth in the G7.
- Rebuilding Britain with 1.5 million homes in England and fast-tracking planning decisions on at least 150 major economic infrastructure projects.
- Ending hospital backlogs to meet the NHS standard of 92% of patients in England waiting no longer than 18 weeks for elective treatment.
- Putting police back on the beat with a named officer for every neighbourhood, and 13,000 additional officers, PCSOs and special constables in neighbourhood roles in England and Wales. Today, the Government has also announced £100 million funding in 2025/26 to support the initial delivery of 13,000 additional police officers, PCSOs and special constables into neighbourhood policing roles.
- Giving children the best start in life, with a record 75% of five-year-olds in England ready to learn when they start school.
- Securing home-grown energy, protecting billpayers, and putting us on track to at least 95% Clean Power by 2030, while accelerating the UK to net zero.

I look forward to discussing this and more with the Committee on the 19th.

All best wishes,



Dame Meg Hillier MP