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Florence Eshalomi MP
Chair, Housing, Communities and Local
Government Committee

By Email

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Dear Florence

I am pleased today to publish IFF Research's [Year 2 Electoral Integrity Programme Evaluation Report](#) following the UK Parliamentary general election on 4 July 2024.

As set out in the Elections Act 2022, the Government has a statutory commitment to evaluate the impact of the voter identification measures at the first set of local elections and the first two General Elections following implementation. As part of this commitment, IFF Research were appointed to independently evaluate the implementation of the Elections Act at the 2024 General Election. The [first evaluation](#) was completed after the local elections in May 2023 and a third evaluation will follow the next UK Parliamentary general election.

This report must be set in the context in which the polls it covers took place. Last year, the entire electoral community rose to the challenge of delivering consecutive polls in May and July whilst navigating a complex series of reforms brought about by the Elections Act 2022, tested for the first time in full and at scale during the General Election. I offer my sincere thanks to all our local authority elections teams, whose skill, dedication and professionalism ensured the successful delivery of these polls.

I welcome this independent evaluation, and I thank IFF Research for their work. I note the many positives from their findings and also acknowledge the challenges that remain to the delivery of elections, which cannot and should not be overlooked. The recommendations will continue to be carefully considered alongside those from the

Electoral Commission, indeed many of which have been addressed as part of the recent review of electoral registration and conduct.

I am looking forward to sharing the outcome of this review in the overall Government Strategy for Elections. This will set out the Government's approach to elections and electoral reform for this Parliament and will be published later this year.

I remain grateful to you and the Committee for your ongoing interest in and support for this work and trust you will find this report useful. I am happy to provide any further information as may be required.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Rushanara Ali', is centered on the page. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Rushanara' and the last name 'Ali' clearly distinguishable.

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