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Dear Liam,

Green Paper on the Future of Post Office

I am writing formally to you today to confirm that we have published the Government's Green Paper on the future of the Post Office.

The Post Office is an essential part of our economic and social infrastructure, supporting our high streets, communities, businesses and the Government's mission to kick-start economic growth. We inherited a Post Office in crisis but this Government is determined to tackle the root causes of the issues that the Post Office faces, provide the stability it needs and put the organisation on a solid and sustainable footing.

The Government's Green Paper seeks to open a dialogue on the future of the Post Office, from the services it provides, how we modernise and strengthen the network, through to how we change the culture and the way the Post Office is managed.

The consultation will be open for 12 weeks and we invite stakeholders from all sectors – postmasters, businesses, community organisations, and the public – to share their views and insights. Following the consultation, Government will carefully consider the responses to understand what stakeholders would like to see from a modern Post Office.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Committee once again for their engagement on important Post Office issues.

Yours sincerely,

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