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From Sir Bernard Jenkin MP, Chair

Rt Hon Boris Johnson MP
Prime Minister
10 Downing Street
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By email

29 November 2021

Dear Prime Minister,

Re: Follow up from November evidence session

I am grateful to you for appearing before the Committee earlier this month, and for your generosity of time during the session. The Liaison Committee's evidence sessions during 2021 have allowed 27 different Committee Chairs a chance to scrutinise the work of Government and your role in leading on policy.

There were a number of areas in our most recent session where you undertook to provide the Committee with further information. I hope it is helpful for me to clarify those undertakings and I would be grateful if you could supply answers in writing before the House rises for the Christmas recess:

- Whether the Government plans to include in primary legislation criminal sanctions for social media giants who fail in their duty of care towards users, rather than providing a power for the Secretary of State to make such sanctions by secondary legislation at a later date ([transcript, Q62](#))
- To confirm the amount being spent on climate aid in each year of the current spending review period (Q90-91)
- Whether the Government's approach to the surplus from the Mineworker's pension scheme is consistent with the statement you made to the Mansfield Chad in 2019 (Q92-93)
- When you last Chaired the Climate Action Strategy Committee, and when the next meeting is due to take place (Q96-97)
- Whether sex and relationship education will be made mandatory in primary schools, and how Government will ensure that this is implemented (Q111)
- To confirm how much of our climate finance spending is allocated for dealing with loss and damage, in each year of the current spending review period (Q114)
- What you make of the findings of the [Resolution Foundation](#) that, with the removal of the temporary increase in Universal Credit, the real-terms value of unemployment benefit has fallen to its lowest level since 1991, a period in which the size of the economy (per capita) has grown by 50 per cent (Q134)



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- Whether the Online Safety Bill will include provisions relating to the regulation of paid-for online advertising when it is brought before the House (Q138)
- The terms of the budgetary settlement for Health Education England over the course of the current spending review period, and whether that amounts to an increase or a cut in real terms (Q170)

As ever, we will look to publish your response on the Committee's website, and we will look forward to hearing from you in our next session, early in the New Year.

Yours ever

Sir Bernard Jenkin MP

Chair of the Committee