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Dear Carolyn,

Re: Oldham Council Resolution – Office of the Mayor of Greater Manchester

Many thanks for your letter of 23rd July and your congratulations on my appointment as Mayor of Greater Manchester.

I note the resolution of Oldham Council from their meeting on 15th July regarding the opportunities presented by the Office of Mayor and the Greater Manchester Combined Authority.

I agree that this provides a platform for Greater Manchester to both present itself to central government and improve the wellbeing of its residents, as well as forging stronger connections between its constituent localities including Oldham.

I also welcome the opportunity that devolution provides for Greater Manchester to innovate at a local level, driving economic growth and reforming public services to better serve the needs of our residents.

This reflects the vision set out in our Greater Manchester Strategy which outlines that by 2020, Greater Manchester will have pioneered a new model for sustainable economic growth based around a more connected, talented and greener city region, where all our residents are able to contribute to and benefit from sustained prosperity and a good quality of life.

By working together across the region to make this vision a reality, we will benefit not just Greater Manchester as a whole but also individual boroughs, towns and communities.

I look forward to working with colleagues in Oldham to achieve this goal.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Tony Lloyd'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent 'T' and 'L'.

Tony Lloyd, Mayor of Greater Manchester