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Dear Dr Wilkins,

Thank you for your letter, dated 12 November, regarding local highway maintenance.

The Government supports the new Code of Practice, Well-Managed Highway Infrastructure. The Code takes an integrated, risk-based approach to managing highway infrastructure and does not impose any prescriptive or minimum standards for intervention levels. The Code provides local highway authorities such as Oldham with the opportunity to set their own priorities and intervention levels based on their own risk assessment.

I was pleased to note your authority's capital investment programme. At the same time, I hope Oldham Council was pleased to receive over £1 million as its share of the additional £420 million the Chancellor of the Exchequer made available in the Budget, to England's highway authorities for highway maintenance.

JESSE NORMAN