

Thank you for your letter regarding the Council's motion on fair funding for local government.

Jim welcomes the Council's continued support for a fair, transparent and sustainable funding system that reflects local need, deprivation and the ability of councils to raise income locally. He has long argued that councils like Oldham should receive funding that properly reflects the pressures they face and supports the delivery of essential local services.

The Government's commitment to introducing a new Fair Funding Formula and moving towards multi-year funding settlements is an important step towards giving councils the certainty and stability they need to plan for the future.

Jim appreciates the Council's recognition of his work on local government finance and sends his thanks for your kind words. In response to the Council's resolution, he will also write to the Minister for Housing and Local Government to reinforce the importance of delivering a fair funding settlement for towns like Oldham.

Thank you again for writing.

Kind Regards,

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