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Dear Dr Wilkins

Re: Oldham Council Resolution – Work Experience Opportunities

Thank you for contacting me regarding the above resolution.

I too believe that work experience is an essential and integral component of a young person's transition into adulthood and the world of work. I am in agreement with Council in observing both the salience of work experience and the need to widen accessibility of work experience programs.

As you will know, my commitments as a Member of Parliament often revolve around the future and development of young people, from Votes at 16 to the Oldham Skilled Trades Summer School, in which I am working in partnership with Oldham College and local secondary schools to give young people practical, on the job experience of skilled trades.

Further to your letter I raised Council's points with The Rt Hon Justine Greening, Secretary of State for Education. Upon receiving a response I will notify you immediately.

I hope this helps.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim McMahon".

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