

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Tottington High School Academy Laurel Street Tottington Bury BL8 3LY

4th April 2025

Dear Mr. Wilson,

RE: Visit to Tottington High School

It was an absolute pleasure to meet you, your staff, and the pupils, and to participate in such a lively and insightful debate. The discussion about banning smartphones for under 16s and reducing children's exposure to social media was a fantastic opportunity to hear the pupils' thoughtful perspectives. Their insightful questions and reasoned arguments—combined with their eagerness to thoroughly grill me at times—left a lasting impression on me.

I was also struck by the pupils' curiosity about what daily life is like for an MP, as well as their thoughtful questions about the pressures of championing different issues. It was inspiring to see how engaged and interested they were in understanding the challenges and responsibilities of public service. Young people truly are the next generation of leaders, and it was heartening to see their enthusiasm and engagement in these important discussions.

Additionally, our conversation about the importance of investing in local facilities, such as FA pitches, and advocating for further funding for schools really resonated with me. I am committed to championing these causes to ensure that children have access to the opportunities and facilities they deserve, and as promised I will be writing to the FA on this matter.

Once again, I really appreciate the incredible work you and your team are doing to create such a positive and inspiring environment at Tottington High School. If there's anything further I can do to help—or if the pupils fancy giving me another grilling—don't hesitate to reach out.

Yours sincerely,

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