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Ms. J.D. McCusker,
Chair,
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Dear Janie,

I have had sight of the correspondence between yourself and Ian Patrick, Chair of the Board of Management at Glasgow Kelvin College which is located within my own constituency.

Whilst I fully accept that the specific issue of capital funding for digital provision has been settled, I did want to write and place on record my concerns about the approach to these matters.

I am a little concerned that a one size fits all policy is being pursued on something like this and there seems to be very little recognition given to SIMD data which would back up a more localized/regional approach rather than what appears to be a national policy.

As I say, I appreciate that the matter at hand has been dealt with but I would hope that going forward GCRB might be slightly more mindful in the future of the needs of areas such as the north east of Glasgow which I would argue is a very specific case.

I hope this is helpful on placing on record my thoughts on the matter and by way of transparency I am copying this to colleagues at Glasgow Kelvin College for their information.

Yours sincerely,

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