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The Rt Hon Michael Gove MP
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Dear Michael

I have been contacted by the team involved in a bid to revive a popular local pub in my constituency, which has been closed and is now at risk of being converted into housing.

The Bell at Pensax was a popular, historic venue and the community has come together, resolved to save the pub and return it to operation. It is now an Asset of Community Value, and the bid team is engaged in a fundraising campaign to secure the necessary investment to take over the site, including a share offering.

The team has submitted a bid to Round 3 of the Community Ownership Fund and I have been contacted to offer my support to this bid. I have agreed to write to you, to confirm this, and hope that you will be able to oversee this bid as we work together, to save The Bell at Pensax, and re-open it in due course.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Harriett Baldwin".

Harriett Baldwin MP
Member of Parliament for West Worcestershire