BLAKE STEPHENSON MP

Member of Parliament for Mid Bedfordshire



Rt Hon Rachel Reeves MP

Chancellor of the Exchequer HM Treasury 1 Horse Guards Road London SW1A 2HQ

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Dear Chancellor,

Proposal for a Theme Park and Resort in Bedfordshire

We write as Bedfordshire Members of Parliament with a keen interest in, and support for, the proposed investment into the UK by Universal Destinations and Experiences ("Universal") to construct and operate a theme park at Kempston Hardwick in Bedfordshire.

This investment would be one of the most significant international investments in the United Kingdom and provide a £50bn boost to the economy. It will also encourage a considerable increase in tourism to the country, with potentially up to 12 million visitors every year.

The investment will support arguments in favour of further inward investment such as the expansion of Luton Airport and will create thousands of jobs.

We appreciate the commercial sensitivities involved but are concerned at the lack of evident progress in reaching a decision on this important proposal and would be grateful for a meeting with you to discuss this matter further.

Sincerely

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