



Chloe Smith MP
Minister of State

Cabinet Office 70 Whitehall London SW1A 2AS

Lord Evans of Weardale KCB DL
Committee on Standards in Public Life
Room G07
1 Horse Guards Road
London, SW1A 2HQ

Our reference: MC2020/06679



25 June 2020

Dear Lord Evans,

Thank you for your letter of 26 May regarding the next review of the Committee on Standards in Public Life on electoral regulation. Your letter was addressed to the Prime Minister – as the Cabinet Office is responsible for electoral regulation, I am responding as Minister of State at the Cabinet Office.

The Government keeps the regulatory framework for elections under review and remains committed to maintaining public confidence in our democracy by ensuring elections are secure and fit for the modern age. The Government's priorities in this area are outlined in our 2019 election manifesto. The Cabinet Office will look to submit evidence to this consultation in due course.

I look forward to the findings of the report next year.

Yours ever,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chloe".

Chloe Smith MP