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Dear Chris and Sharon,

We are writing to confirm that we are content to let the Directions in Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council lapse on 31 March 2019. Further to the recent Independent Review, led by former Lead Commissioner Mary Ney we see no evidence that suggests that Government should seek to extend these Directions or put in place new ones.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you both for your leadership, helping to transform Rotherham from a failing authority to one that is reinvigorated and fully autonomous.

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