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Via email

Max Caller CBE

Margaret Lee

Gavin Jones

Dear Max, Margaret, and Gavin,

Slough Borough Council Intervention

Further to my letter of 28 July 2022 I am writing to confirm that I am today publishing revised Directions under the Local Government Act 1999 that give you additional powers in relation to the structure of Slough Borough Council and the recruitment of tiers two and three staff. I understand that you intend to hold these powers in reserve.

The decision to update the Directions was taken after careful consideration of the representations that were received, and the revised Directions include the suggestions made in your representation of 11 August. The Explanatory Memorandum has been updated to reflect the updated Directions and the change in Gavin's title from Assistant Commissioner to Commissioner. This will be published alongside the Directions.

My officials will write to Gavin, in his capacity as Acting Head of Paid Service, to inform him of the decision and to provide the Council with a copy of the updated Directions.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you again for the work you are doing to ensure the necessary improvements are made at the Council and would encourage you to continue to keep my officials and myself updated on progress.

Yours sincerely,

PAUL SCULLY MP