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Dear Minister,

RE: Home Office Asylum Accommodation in Spelthorne

Your reference: MIN/1367134/25

I am writing to express my disappointment at the ongoing lack of a substantive and meaningful response from Central Government concerning the Home Office asylum accommodation in Spelthorne and the associated accommodation matters. My previous questions have not been addressed with the detail required, and the responses provided so far have failed to provide clarity.

While the Government holds the mandate to govern, it also has a responsibility to respect residents by directly answering legitimate questions and providing timely transparent explanations that genuinely address the issues at hand.

Below is a summary of the Council's correspondence to date:

- **26 September 2025:** Letter sent to Alex Norris MP and the Prime Minister regarding the asylum accommodation in Spelthorne.
- **6 October 2025:** Home Office acknowledged receipt of all correspondence and assured a full response, which has not been received.
- **17 October 2025:** Further request made for details of the Government's long-term plans for the asylum accommodation, no response.
- **30 October 2025:** Letter urging consideration of relocating asylum seekers from the Stanwell Hotel to military barracks, response received but lacks necessary detail.
- **21 November 2025:** Request submitted seeking confirmation of whether the Government is purchasing HMOs in Spelthorne for asylum accommodation, no response.

This continued lack of meaningful communication is both concerning and unacceptable. These issues directly affect the wellbeing, safety and confidence of our residents, and they require urgent engagement from Central Government. We have sought clarity, offered constructive suggestions and remained patient, yet no satisfactory response has been forthcoming.

The Council remains committed to working collaboratively with Central Government, but residents deserve answers, and the Council requires clear information in order to carry out its duties responsibly.

I trust you will treat this matter with the urgency and seriousness it merits. I look forward to receiving a comprehensive response to the matters I have raised.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joanne Sexton".

Cllr Joanne Sexton
Leader of Spelthorne Borough Council