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Dear Minister,

RE: Home Office Asylum Accommodation in Spelthorne

Your reference: MIN/1447716/26

Thank you for your emailed letter of 3 February.

I am disappointed that, once again, a clear and unequivocal response has not been provided. For the avoidance of doubt, please confirm whether my understanding of your comments is correct: that the Home Office is not ruling out the use of HMOs in Spelthorne as alternative asylum accommodation.

My understanding was that just under 100 asylum seekers had been placed at the facility in Spelthorne. You have since advised that a smaller number are currently residing there. I would be grateful if you could clarify the reason for this change, confirm what has happened to the remaining individuals, and advise whether the number of residents is expected to increase again in the future.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Cllr Joanne Sexton
Leader of Spelthorne Borough Council