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Dear Minister,

Cheshire & Warrington Devolution Priority Programme

We welcome your letter of 16 December 2024 and the proposals regarding Devolution. Since then we have met with Baroness Taylor and civil servants to discuss how we can jointly build a programme to deliver devolution proposals here in Cheshire & Warrington. The three local authorities, Cheshire East, Cheshire West & Chester and Warrington are committed to working in partnership to progress a devolution agreement with His Majesty's Government and establish a Mayoral Strategic Authority by May 2026. We look forward to working with you and your colleagues in 2025 and are grateful that you have recognised all the previous pre-planning work we have done together that has resulted in us being recognised for inclusion in the Devolution Priority Programme.

Yours sincerely,



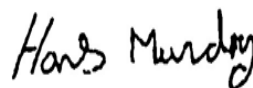
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