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Ms Jennie Price  
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Dear Ms Price

**Pavilion Project: Holcombe & Blue Bell Hill Cricket Club**

I am writing in support of the application, primarily in the name of Holcombe & Blue Bell Hill Cricket Club, for funding to improve its pavilion and facilities. I do so as the local Member of Parliament for the Club, ground and facilities and believe that funding will improve the facilities into a safe, clean environment for members of the cricket club of both genders, all ages and physical abilities.

The Club is a well run club with a sizeable catchment zone and exciting plans to extend its offering for female and disability participation in the game. The current facilities do not allow them to do this as there is no disabled access and outdated open changing rooms thus not providing a safe and comfortable environment for players. The Club's plans to improve the Pavilion will not only meet these needs but it will segregate players, particularly younger ones, from spectators using the bar and refreshment areas thus enhancing safeguarding requirements. This project will promote sustainable club development and help offer sporting opportunities to new members, in particular juniors.

For transparency it should be noted that I am also the Manager of the U15 girls team at Meridian FC which uses the pitch and facilities during the winter football season. The current facilities are not suitable for young girls for the reasons stated above. The dual use of the Club's facilities will help enhance access to sport across the area and I hope that the application for funding will be considered seriously and accepted in due course.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tracey Crouch".

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