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Dear Home Secretary,

I am writing on behalf of Bicester Town Council to follow up on our previous correspondence regarding the proposed asylum accommodation at MOD Bicester Site A.

I refer to our previous correspondence concerning this matter, including our holding letter and detailed request for information of 14 July 2026, which requested a full written response by 1 August 2026, and our further letter of 27 July 2026, which outlined additional concerns raised by the members of Bicester Town Council.

The requested deadline has now passed without either acknowledgement or a substantive response from the Home Office. Given the significance of this proposal, its potential impact on local services and the wider community, and the indication that the site could begin accommodating residents as early as the end of 2026, the absence of a response is of considerable concern to the Council.

We therefore respectfully request a comprehensive written reply addressing all matters raised in both letters by the 14th of August 2026. We also reiterate our request for an early multi-agency meeting involving the relevant statutory partners identified in our previous correspondence.

Bicester Town Council remains committed to constructive and collaborative engagement. However, it is essential that local communities and their representatives are provided with timely information, transparency, and meaningful opportunities for dialogue before any further decisions are taken.

We look forward to receiving your response as a matter of urgency.

Yours sincerely,
Paul Canning

For and on behalf of Bicester Town Council.

Deputy Town Clerk