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Dear Dame Meg,

I promised to write to you on a question raised at the recent Committee Hearing on Supported Housing. The Committee asked:

***'How are you building in the need to identify supported housing need for individual cohorts, e.g. autistic children living with elderly adults and people with physical disabilities living with elderly carers?'***

We are working closely with local authorities (LAs) and sector experts to design the strategic planning guidance for LAs and bodies such as the Care Quality Commission. The plans produced as a result will set out the current local stock of supported housing for each LA, their forecast of future need including current unmet need, and a delivery plan. Our ambition for the strategic plans is that those who need housing with care and support will have the choice to live in suitable local provision. We will consider the specific question of flows of cohorts with different needs into supported housing, such as those outlined by the Committee, recognising that for the whole range of supported housing cohorts support needs can change and will arise at different points.

Sir Geoffrey Clifton-Brown raised a separate issue relating to the supply of supported housing in his constituency and promised to send further detail. My officials look forward to receiving this information and looking into the issues described.

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