



**Department for
Digital, Culture,
Media & Sport**

Nigel Huddleston MP
Parliamentary Under Secretary of
State for Sport, Tourism, Heritage and
Civil Society
1st Floor
100 Parliament Street London
SW1A 2BQ

020 7211 6000

www.gov.uk/dcms

**Dame Meg Hillier MP
Chair, Committee of Public Accounts
House of Commons London
SW1A 0AA**

25 May 2022

Dear Meg,

In accordance with Managing Public Money guidance, I enclose a copy of the Departmental Minute, which will be laid on 26 May 2022 notifying Parliament of a Contingent Liability for the Government for £10 million to in case needed to support the Rugby League World Cup.

This underwrite will ensure that we can look forward to hosting a World Cup as planned. It will also support delivery of an event that will drive economic growth in the region and deliver significant benefits against the government's sporting and wider ambitions, including the Levelling Up agenda.

Yours sincerely,

Nigel Huddleston
Minister for Sport, Tourism, Heritage and Civil Society