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3rd March January 2021

Dear Hannah, Tony, Mia, Elle, Adnan and Karli,

RE: Impact of COVID-19 on University Students

I am writing to you as in response to your letter of 13th January 2021.

Please know that I share your concerns about tuition fees, student debt and rent rebates. I have been leading a parliamentary campaign which calls on the government to scrap tuition fees and cancel student debt. I have written to the Chancellor, tabled an Early Day Motion and raised this issue directly with the education secretary in the House of Commons.

I believe that education must be a universal right – not a costly privilege. Because we all benefit from an educated society. The last decade of extortionate tuition fees has been a failed experiment, which has saddled young people with debt, deterred working class people from gaining a higher education and turned our universities into profit-seeking business. I will keep campaigning for the government to support students by refunding rents, scrapping tuition fees and cancelling student debt for good.

To support your campaign, I have raised each of the 10 specific asks in your letter with the government in the form of written questions. I will of course keep you updated with these once I have received a response.

Thank you for raising this important issue, I look forward to working together to provide justice for students in Leicester and across the UK.

Yours sincerely,

Claudia Webbe MP

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