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Dear Elizabeth,

Changes to North Hertfordshire Bin Collections

I trust this letter is well received.

A number of constituents have contacted me with concerns about North Herts Council's plans to cut bin collections, with general waste bins to be collected just once every three weeks. I share these concerns – waste collection is a vital service that residents pay for through their Council Tax.

A move to three-weekly general waste collections could lead to increases in fly-tipping, result in rubbish bags which do not fit in bins ending up on streets in North Hertfordshire and create public health concerns, with over-flowing bins increasing the likelihood of attracting rats amongst other public health problems.

I urge the Labour and Liberal Democrat Administration to reconsider these plans.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bim Afolami', with a long horizontal stroke underneath.