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HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

Since I last wrote to you regarding the Platinum Jubilee on 6 January, it has been wonderful to see the efforts of councils across the United Kingdom to help their communities mark Her Majesty The Queen's historic 70-year reign.

I wanted to thank you for making sure these Jubilee events will be bigger and better than ever. From waiving road closure fees to covering costs of community events, many of you are leading the way and living up to the 'Platinum Councils' badge by supporting over 70,000 Big Jubilee Lunches.

Now as the Jubilee celebrations come closer, I would ask you all to make one final push and take every possible action to help your communities in their preparations – from making all processes cost-free for residents, to cutting red tape, and being completely flexible when receiving further applications for road closures.

Your residents should be made aware of all the support that is available and no one should be put off by needless red tape. You can point to all the myth busting facts in our [Street Party Guidance](#) and highlight how ['Street Meets'](#) offer an even easier way to bring neighbours together. You can make sure your local events are included on the [Platinum Jubilee map](#) as part of advertising all planned activities across the UK. The [Platinum Jubilee Toolkit](#) also provides ideas to make sure everyone, of all ages, can enjoy and take part in the celebrations.

Finally, national celebrations like this mean a lot to our communities and the fabric of our society. The efforts made by you and your local communities will make this a momentous weekend of truly UK-wide celebration – and I would like to hear from you to understand what more we can do to make it quicker and easier for communities to come together regularly in the future, including loosening any rules to deliver a lasting legacy.

Thank you again for all your ongoing efforts to support the Platinum Jubilee celebrations in your area and I wish you and your communities an enjoyable Platinum Jubilee weekend.

With every good wish,

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