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**Farming After Brexit**

I would like to thank those constituents who have written to me on the issue of farming after Brexit.

Much like with other areas like workers' rights, environmental protection and animal welfare standards, there has understandably been a lot of concern over what will happen with food and food standards after Brexit – as well as the farming industry more broadly. It is important that Brexit does not compromise on standards in those areas or end up adversely impacting the farming industry, hitting jobs, food prices and Britain's ability to produce and trade.

That is why I, alongside the Labour Brexit team, have been clear that any Brexit deal should meet the six tests which we have set to ensure Brexit does not result in a 'race to the bottom' in terms of standards across a wide range of policy areas. This includes food standards and ensuring that British farming and the environment continues to be protected and that there is no rowing back of measures that are currently in place as part of our EU membership.

The Birmingham Post and Mail also recently published a piece from me setting out my thoughts on where things are on the issue of Brexit more broadly and how I see the options for the UK going forward. [You can see it here.](#)

Best wishes,

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