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Dear Councillor Revans and Councillor Wilkins,

I am writing to express my strong support for the Glastonbury TrainLink campaign, I believe this link would provide a vital, sustainable, and accessible connection to the national rail network for residents and visitors alike.

For far too long, the lack of a direct public transport route to Castle Cary has restricted access to England's railways for people across the constituency. Not only does this limit opportunities for work, education and leisure, but it also contributes to social isolation and places unnecessary reliance on private car use. In addition, Glastonbury and the surrounding area relies heavily on tourism, and suffers by the absence of a link to a train station.

The Glastonbury TrainLink proposal seeks to establish a bus service whose primary purpose is to synchronise with train departure and arrival times, making rail travel genuinely viable for everyday users. This service is designed to be environmentally sustainable, meeting local demand while reducing carbon emissions and traffic pressure on the surrounding network.

I am certain if the bid is successful, the proposed pilot, over a minimum of six months, would demonstrate the value of such connectivity, with the potential to pave the way for long-term transport integration.

Improving transport connectivity has long been a priority for me. In Parliament, I have consistently raised the issue of better access to public transport, including the need for integrated bus services to link communities like Glastonbury with key rail hubs. It is vital that rural areas are not left behind and that local residents and visitors alike have safe and reliable public transport options available to them.

I therefore wholeheartedly endorse the Glastonbury TrainLink initiative and implore all relevant bodies and partners to give the project their full support. Securing funding for this pilot service would be a vital step toward improving public transport connectivity across our constituency, unlocking social, economic and environmental benefits for years to come.

Kind regards

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