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Dear Ed,

Congratulations to you and your team on the refreshed Code of Practice for Statistics, and thank you for your letter. I recognise how important it is that we uphold the standards in Code 3.0, including in relation to intelligent transparency.

We will take this opportunity to recommit the Department to following the principles of intelligent transparency. As part of this, my Chief Statistician, Sarah Alloway-Lasher, will work with colleagues across DCMS to develop and publish a statement of compliance to the *Standards for Public Use of Statistics, Data and Wider Analysis*. Sarah and her team will also publish a refreshed suite of policies for our official statistics aligned with the new Code.

Sarah has appreciated the support and engagement from your team, and I look forward to continuing to work together.

Best wishes,

**Susannah Storey CB**  
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