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Dear Janie,

**Re: Derby City Council's Electoral Cycle Proposal**

Please treat this letter as the Chamber's endorsement of the council's proposals to amend its voting process - currently involving an election 3 years out of 4 - to a revised process entailing an election every 4 years (from an agreed given date).

As the second-largest Chamber in the country with almost 4,000 members, we believe that not only is this change in the best interests of simplicity, but also in terms of political stability at a time of acute uncertainty for businesses operating within the Derby area.

Rest assured the Chamber will continue to provide the council all the tools at its disposal to bring about continued economic growth and investment; do please let me know if we can be of any further assistance.

Yours sincerely,



Scott Knowles  
Chief Executive