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Dear Julie,

As you will be aware, Hampshire County Council has been supporting the Hampshire Rural Forum through funding of secretarial duties by Action Hampshire at a value of £6000 per year.

The Council recognises the important role that the Hampshire Rural Forum plays in supporting our rural communities and bringing important rural stakeholders together.

However, as part of a wider review of costs it has been decided that this funding can no longer continue. The Council is evaluating all expenditure beyond statutory minimum to ensure our resources best serve those residents most in need. It is considered that the withdrawal of this funding is therefore in line with this strategic approach.

I am conscious that an alternative arrangement will need to be considered by the Forum, so funding for the current year will continue to be available until 31 October 2024. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss further.

Yours sincerely

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