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The Rt Hon James Brokenshire MP  
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Dear Rt Hon James Brokenshire MP

As Leader of the Council I am writing to inform you that at the meeting of 1<sup>st</sup> October, Oxford City Council agreed a motion as set out below.

The adopted motion in full is:

**Council resolved to adopt the following motion:**

This Council notes the recent use of Section 5A(b) of the Sustainable Communities Act 2007 by Plymouth City Council to demand that the Government releases “all government departmental information and analysis pertaining to the impacts upon Plymouth’s communities and businesses of the UK’s withdrawal from the European Union, including any information deemed by the government to be confidential”. Like Oxford, where a report commissioned by Finance Panel has identified the risks to our City posed by Brexit, Plymouth City Council had also identified a number of risks to the economic and social wellbeing of its communities as a result of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018.

**Council agrees to similarly invoke the Sustainable Communities Act and asks the Leader of the Council to write on its behalf to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government**, so that this Council can obtain the accurate and up-to-date information it needs to best engage with businesses, institutions and communities and inform its own actions with respect to protecting Oxford, the Council and Council services from the effects of the Government’s approach to Brexit.

I welcome your response.

Yours sincerely

Cllr Susan Brown  
Leader of Oxford City Council

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