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Addenbrooke House, Ironmasters Way  
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Dear David

**Illegal waste site clean-up – Ketley**

I met with the Environment Minister on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021 to discuss the site and set out how residents have been affected over the years and by the recent fires.

I also gave the Minister comments I have received from residents, to illustrate how the community has been affected. I attach extracts for your information.

I read in the Telford Journal that the Council would like help in finding a solution. At my meeting with the Minister, we discussed the options available to the Council, such as making a Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO). It was encouraging to learn that the value of the land is equivalent to the cost of clearing the site, which would make a CPO a viable solution.

I should be grateful if you would share the Council's current plans and set out what support and advice you seek to move these plans forward. Both DEFRA and the Environment Agency are keen to work with us to help move this forward.

I look forward to hearing about the Council's plans and current thinking on this issue.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lucy Allan".

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