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Dear Bim

Harpenden Banking Hub

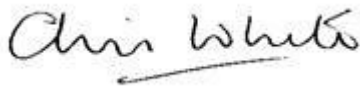
Thank you for your letter regarding the provision of a local Banking Hub in Harpenden.

The Harpenden Public Halls redevelopment is a mixed development containing both residential and commercial facilities. At the present time no decisions have been taken in relation to how the commercial space will be divided and allocated. This provides an excellent opportunity to provide a local Community Banking Hub for Harpenden and to this end the Project Team have been asked to investigate the matter further as they finalise the scheme prior to submitting the planning application which is anticipated to go in shortly.

We are reliant on attracting the interest of banks in participating in the Banking Hub initiative and providing a commercial operation. We will endeavour to secure the interest of banking partners in realising the Hub and any assistance you could provide would very much be welcomed.

As the scheme progresses I will keep you apprised of the position and the progress made.

Yours sincerely



Councillor Chris White

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