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Dear Mr Mealey

Thank you for your recent letter in relation to the motion passed by Belfast City Council on 5<sup>th</sup> May.

I am grateful to Council for their interest in this matter and I share the concerns that Members have expressed in relation to the seriousness of the situation being faced by Ulster University.

My colleagues and I strongly believe that the support and advocacy of Council is extremely important. As such, I would very much welcome the opportunity to attend a forthcoming meeting of Council to discuss the complexity of the challenges we must address and to discuss how the University and Members can work together to safeguard the provision at all of our campuses.

I hope Members would find it helpful to explore these important issues together and to work collaboratively in support of our University community.

I would be pleased to liaise with you to make the necessary arrangements, and I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Yours sincerely



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