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Dear Imran

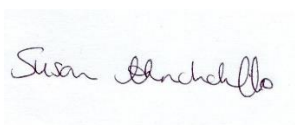
The Council's Corporate Overview & Scrutiny Committee undertook a wholesale review of the use of fireworks in the district's neighbourhoods, following a recommendation made by Full Council. As a result of the scrutiny review, this Council requests the Districts MPs lobby the government for the following:

- Reduce the noise levels of all categories of fireworks;
- Stop the sale of the more powerful fireworks, such as category 3 and 4 other than for professional firework displays
- For individuals who sell fireworks to have a licence, which demonstrates that they are a fit and proper person to be able to sell fireworks;
- Instigate a Private Members Bill to discuss the licensing, planning and legislation arrangements in place, relating to fireworks.
- Make it more difficult for members of the public to buy fireworks from wholesalers in large quantities

In the meantime, I hope that you will join the Council in:

- Urging everyone to act responsibly when using fireworks and to avoid causing nuisance to other residents, ideally by attending well-run public events, getting appropriate permissions and helping to educate young people about the dangers and distress fireworks can cause.
- Call on everyone to act respectfully towards the public servants who keep us safe at Bonfire Night and throughout the year.
- Supporting the 'Protect the Protectors' campaign and safety and awareness campaigns to promote the tougher sentences arising from the assaults on Emergency Workers (Offences) Act.

Yours sincerely



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