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Dear Rabbi Kanterovitz,

I write to express my gratitude for the efforts of the members of your synagogue in supporting the victims of the fire in Grenfell Tower in Kensington. I read in *Jewish News* that residents of Borehamwood and Elstree had been 'queuing out the door' to donate goods for the victims of the tragedy.

The immediate reaction of people to offer their own possessions to those in desperate need is a profound gesture of good will and your efforts are sincerely appreciated. I gave a speech in the House of Commons earlier today and started by praising the efforts of the Synagogue for promoting and organising the relief effort.

My thoughts and prayers are with the residents, the families who have lost loved ones and all those who are affected by this fire. The Prime Minister gave her statement in the House of Commons chamber this morning. I know the government will do all in its power to rebuild but the collective efforts of people like you will make a profound difference to victim's lives.

Please feel free to share this letter with the shul.

Yours sincerely,

**Oliver Dowden CBE MP**  
**Member of Parliament for Hertsmere**

With warmest wishes  
to you all