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To whom it may concern

### **Jodie Chesney Foundation**

I am writing to offer my support for the Jodie Chesney Foundation.

I have been deeply moved by the remarkable work of Jodie's father, Peter, and the Chesney family's efforts in seeking to provide a lasting legacy to Jodie's life.

Jodie was hugely involved in the local community and touched many people's lives. As we continue to see families torn apart by knife crime, we need to bring people together.

It is only by working in partnership that we will begin to tackle knife crime. The Jodie Chesney Foundation will help carry out this vital work.

Our community continues to stand in solidarity with the Chesney family and look forward to the establishment of the much-needed work of the Jodie Chesney Foundation.

Yours faithfully,



**Councillor Darren Rodwell**  
**Leader of the Council**