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Dear Councillor Tilbury,

Re: Continued closure of Shepshed Recycling and Household Waste Site

I am writing on behalf of residents of Shepshed regarding the continued closure of the Shepshed recycling and household waste site.

Your announcement on 12 August confirmed that Shepshed remains closed until further notice, with no clear reopening date given to residents. They cannot be expected to simply wait indefinitely.

This site serves thousands of households who now face longer journeys to Coalville or elsewhere, additional fuel costs, and a risk of fly-tipping as people run out of patience and space for accumulated waste. This is a basic council service that residents pay for through their council tax, and its absence falls hardest on those who cannot easily travel further afield: older residents, those without cars, and families with young children.

I am asking the Council to:

- Re-open the tip with a clear timeline on when capacity will be restored.
- Explain what contingency measures are in place for Shepshed residents in the meantime including whether additional capacity at neighbouring sites, temporary skip provision or extended hours elsewhere are being considered.

Residents in Shepshed have been patient. But patience is wearing thin, and I would ask that the Council treat this with the urgency it deserves. Thank you.

Yours sincerely

Dr. Jeevun Sandher MP