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Dear Mr Holloway

Thank you for your correspondence about plans for the Walthamstow Stadium.

I am becoming more and more concerned about this planning proposal as more information comes to light, of which the failure to deculvert the river is just the latest. I am aware of the criticism of the costs of the scheme and have asked Waltham Forest to share the viability assessment for the scheme and for them to carry out robust local consultation so that all the residents are clear what is proposed. I understand local residents' concerns and their desire to see dog racing on this site, and I would welcome a user who was able to facilitate this.

This is a planning decision for Waltham Forest in the first instance but it will be referred to me in due course and the answers to the consultation and viability will be major issues in my determination of the matter.

Yours sincerely

**Boris Johnson** 

Mayor of London