**Visit our Pharmacy**

Dear [name of MP],

Thank you for your support for community pharmacies in [constituency].

I am a pharmacy owner in this constituency.

Following the recent announcement of the new Community Pharmacy

Contractual Framework for the years 2024/25 and 2025/26, I wanted to reach

out personally and invite you to visit [name of pharmacy] to find out more about

the work the team do to support patients and the public.

Community pharmacists are trusted healthcare professionals: millions of people

rely on them every day for access to lifesaving medicines, healthcare advice and

other clinical services, such as the Pharmacy First service. The Government has

committed to providing a sustainable funding and operational model for the

sector, and I urge you, with our support, to hold the Government to this promise.

I would also urge you to do all you can to ensure that this pharmacy, and thousands of others across the country, are protected from closure. Due to ongoing critical funding and operational pressures, over 1,250 pharmacies have closed since 2017. Any further closures will put unbearable strain on the local healthcare system – including surrounding pharmacies – and make the current issues worse. This could mean that patients don’t have the same easy access to vital medicines as was previously available.

I hope that a visit such as this is of interest, and I hope to hear from you soon.

Kind regards,

[your name]