

Jane Hunt MP



House of Commons

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Dear local residents,

Thank you to those who have contacted me about the UK's points-based immigration system.

When people voted to leave the EU, they did so in the knowledge that the free movement system imposed by the EU would end. The Home Secretary has been clear that she has a particular responsibility to take back control and bring an end to free movement once and for all. To do this, the Government has introduced the *Immigration and Social Security Co-ordination (EU Withdrawal) Bill* in the House of Commons.

I welcome the Government's commitment to building a fairer immigration system which considers people based on their skills rather than their nationality. As you may be aware, the Home Office has now published a policy statement which sets out the Government's plans for a new UK points-based immigration system. This new system will prioritise those with the highest skills and greatest talents, including scientists, engineers, academics and innovators.

The new system is also more than simply controlling immigration. It is about the creation of a high wage, high skill, high productivity economy which is why the Government will not be introducing a general low skilled or temporary work route. I welcome this approach as the UK needs to move away from relying on cheap labour from Europe and focus instead on investment in technology and automation.

You can read the Government's policy statement [here](#).

More information about the new arrangements which will take effect from 1 January 2021 can be found [here](#).

I hope that this information is helpful. If you have any further concerns about this, or anything else, please do let me know.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Jane'.

Jane Hunt MP