

I'm so sorry I'm unable to be with you tonight. I want to start by thanking Rolvenden Parish Council for the work they do in our community. It isn't always an easy job, and I'm so grateful to those who volunteer their time and energy to improve their local area.

I've been the Member of Parliament here in the Weald of Kent for almost two years now. It is a privilege to represent our area in the House of Commons, acting and advocating on behalf of all my constituents.

It's been a really busy time in Westminster, and my team and I have been busy responding to constituents about the things that matter to them, whether that be the cost of heating oil, the SEND White Paper, or the state of the roads. Right now I'm focused on holding South East Water to account following their appalling response to the recent water outages across the Weald. I want to thank everyone who responded to my survey. I received several thousand replies and it's so helpful to have your feedback; it's really important that SEW know the impact their inadequate service has on businesses and individuals across the constituency. I am collating the responses and will update everyone on the results as soon as possible.

Outside of Parliament, I've loved getting out and about across the Weald of Kent, especially now that the sun is shining. I've visited primary schools, businesses, farms, hospitals, GPs, charities and more; it's so helpful to hear at first-hand about their achievements and the challenges that people and businesses across our area are facing. If I've not been to see your organisation yet, please let me know and I'll make sure I call in!

I hope to continue to meet lots of you when I am out and about. I wish Rolvenden Parish Council the very best as you carry out your vital work. If I can help with anything at all, please get in touch with me on katie.lam.mp@parliament.uk