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Dear 

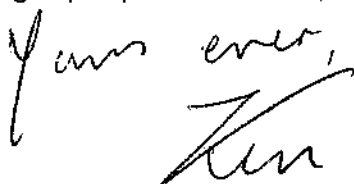
Thank you for your letter of 24 January 2017 regarding the MyTravelPass scheme.

I remain keen to build upon the legacy of the scheme, which is a pilot scheme that was only ever funded between September 2015 and March 2017.

I therefore asked the Confederation of Passenger Transport (CPT) - representing the bus industry – some time ago for detailed proposals for an affordable legacy scheme from 1 April 2017. In the absence of that, I have considered a range of options developed by officials.

The potential for an affordable legacy scheme has since been discussed with the CPT and local authority representatives. The discussions were encouraging, and you will be aware from my announcement on 21 February that the existing discounted bus travel arrangements for 16, 17 and 18 year olds will continue to be available from 1 April 2017. I have also asked CPT to come forward with proposals for a new marketing campaign. No 16 to 18 year olds who continue to be eligible will notice any difference.

For the longer-term, I intend launching a new Youth Travel Pass from 2018. I will be consulting on what I hope will become an attractive and affordable scheme that will support younger people in their life, work and study, and at the same time encourage modal shift.



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