[Your Name]

[Your Address]

[Town/Postcode]

[Date]

[MP's Name]

[MP's Constituency Office Address]

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Dear [MP's Name],

I am writing to you as a concerned constituent and supporter of the #PathwayToPlay campaign, led by the Association of Play Industries (API). As someone who cares deeply about the wellbeing of children in our community, I am reaching out to bring attention to the pressing issue of prioritising outdoor play in the UK’s policies and investments.

#PathwayToPlay is a transformative campaign with a clear vision: to put play first in the lives of our children. Research shows that playgrounds are the number one location for outdoor play, and in light of the alarming rise in childhood obesity, poor mental health and sleep issues, it is crucial that we take decisive action to ensure that every child has access to safe, local and high-quality outdoor play spaces.

**As you know, the new Chancellor will be announcing the first Labour Government Budget on 30 October and it’s imperative that they find room in the Budget to protect our children’s right to play in their communities**. As a Member of Parliament representing our community, I urge you to support the #PathwayToPlay campaign by advocating for the following commitments:

1. Conduct a National Audit: We urge the government to conduct a comprehensive national audit of public playgrounds, considering not only their quantity but also their quality and location.
2. Ensure Long-term Sustainability: It is imperative to ensure the long-term sustainability of public playgrounds by allocating dedicated government funding for the installation and maintenance of free-to-use community play spaces. This will guarantee that every child has access to safe, high-quality, and local outdoor play.
3. Increase Physical Activity Levels at School: We advocate for increasing children's physical activity levels through outdoor play at school. This can be achieved by integrating outdoor learning into the National Curriculum and providing government funding specifically for school outdoor play spaces and equipment.

By supporting these commitments, you will be helping to promote the health, happiness and overall well-being of children in our community and across the UK. Your support on this crucial issue is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

[Your Name]