

Dear **(INSERT MP FULL NAME)**

I am writing to you as your constituent to kindly request your support in attending an upcoming parliamentary event hosted by We Belong, a migrant youth-led organisation campaigning for the rights of young migrants who have grown up in the UK.

The event will take place from **18:00-20:00 on Monday 23rd February 2026** in the **Attlee Suite, Portcullis House**.

It will be hosted by Bell Riberio-Addy MP and will feature some short remarks by invited speakers, followed by a more informal ‘drop-in’, during which parliamentarians will have the chance to meet with young people involved in We Belong.

***(IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING THE EVENT, INCLUDE THIS PARAGRAPH| I will be attending the event and would welcome the opportunity to meet with you as my MP to discuss my experiences and We Belong’s work)**

The event will feature discussions about the challenges faced by young migrants and families as a result of the current route to obtaining indefinite leave to remain. We’ll be discussing the significant financial barriers to settlement, as well as the impact of proposed changes to eligibility criteria for indefinite leave to remain under the Earned Settlement model, including the uncertainty and insecurity these proposed changes are creating.

With the announcement that a ten-year route to settlement will become the default for all migrants in the UK, young people and children represented by We Belong could be pushed back onto that long ten-year path to indefinite leave to remain, despite having only just transitioned to a shorter route introduced under Appendix Private Life to the Immigration Rules 2022. This shorter five-year route was introduced in recognition of the particularly strong ties to the UK of the young people covered by the change, who have grown up and come of age in this country.

As a young migrant, this issue deeply resonates with me because (****BRIEFLY SHARE IF YOU WISH, A FEW PERSONAL DETAILS, EXPLAINING YOUR EXPERIENCE OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS AND HIGH FEES/ CONCERNS REGARDING THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO ILR)**

I look forward to your response and hope that you can attend the event. Your presence would be invaluable in contributing to this discussion. Should you require any additional information or have any questions regarding We Belong’s parliamentary event, please reach out to Mariam Bafo, We Belong’s Policy and Parliamentary Lead, at MariamBafo@webelong.org.uk.

Kind regards,

**(INSERT FULL NAME AND ADDRESS/POSTCODE - IT IS IMPORTANT TO
INCLUDE THIS SO THEY KNOW YOU ARE A CONSTITUENT)**