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Dear Colin,

I am so sorry that I have not responded earlier to your very kind letter but I have been inundated with messages of support and good wishes from friends and members of the public alike.

Now dissolution looms, and I have I'm afraid resorted to a rather standard reply. Please forgive me, but I do want you to know that your support and kind thoughts have given Celie and me great comfort.

I'm afraid that the 'Sackblosses' have unfortunately delayed this reply, but I am deeply grateful how for you taking the trouble to write and for the sentiments you expressed. I feel for the balance of my party in the next Parliament - but even more for the level at which this election seems likely to be fought!

Thank you again for writing

Yours

Nick