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*Dear Councillor Goodman,*

Thank you for your letter of January 25th expressing concerns about my attempt to provide parents with more information about the content of teenage magazines.

I must emphasise I am not attempting to censor or ban these publications, but simply to help parents understand more accurately what lies within the covers of these publications.

Many parents will decide they are perfectly happy for their children to read these publications, while others, I believe, will be genuinely surprised to discover what their children are in fact reading.

By requiring the publishers of these magazines to place an indication of the appropriate age range for each publication on the front cover, we should make parents' lives much simpler, without any hint of censorship.

In fairness I should say that I do hope the response of the magazine publishers will also be to consider more carefully what actually appears in the pages of their magazines, and to reverse what I view as a very dangerous downward spiral.

Thank you for going to the trouble of writing to me.

*Yours truly,  
Peter Luff*

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