

# TEES. Business.

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The Rt Hon Rishi Sunak MP  
Chancellor of the Exchequer  
HM Treasury  
1 Horse Guards Road  
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Dear Chancellor

We, the undersigned business leaders of the Tees region, write to urge you to bring Treasury jobs to the Tees region as part of the Government's levelling up promise.

We collectively support this call from *Tees Business* – the voice of business in the Tees region – for the Government not to miss this golden opportunity to give our region a much-needed and long overdue economic boost.

The Tees region has a range of perfect locations to benefit from the Treasury North. We have the first class skills and a wide range of outstanding businesses to service a government department ready and waiting. Just as importantly, we have an economy that needs help from the levelling up process and would benefit hugely from the once-in-a-generation investment and positive spotlight from such a move.

There have been suggestions within the media that Newcastle/Tyneside is now the frontrunner to get these government jobs.

We firmly believe that transferring Treasury jobs – and the related investment – from one thriving city (London) to another thriving city (Newcastle, Leeds or Manchester etc) would not be levelling up at all.

Teesside and the Tees Valley has been overlooked for the north's cities too many times before, so we call on you to give us this chance, this boost and this investment.

It would be a hugely positive statement by the Government and proactive display of its levelling up promise to base the Treasury North in the Tees region.

As a business community, we wholeheartedly support this call to bring the government jobs here and would welcome a visit or talks from you or your officials to discuss the strength of feeling on this key issue.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours

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