



## News Release from Sally Keeble

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#### **Call for reassurances on future of Tesco at Weston Favell**

Sally Keeble, Northampton North parliamentary candidate, has called on Tesco to provide assurances about the future of its giant store at Weston Favell.

The move comes after changes at the store resulted in some job losses and closure of some of the fresh food counters at the store – the only one to be so affected in Northampton.

Sally Keeble has written to the Tesco CEO setting out the importance of the store to the local community and asking for reassurances about its future.

In the letter she writes:

“ I realise that you’re a business and have to ensure that the shop remains viable. However, this particular store plays a very special role in the community. Loss of services and goods on offer there would significantly impact local people. I see that you personally have a strong focus on the contribution that your business makes to local communities, and its importance to the health of the local economy. This is very much what the Tesco at Weston Favell is about. It would be much appreciated if you could provide assurances on the future of the shop and the range of offers and services it provides which are so important to the local community.”

Commenting on the letter Sally Keeble says:

“When a big business like Tesco looks across its portfolio of shops, the Weston Favell store may look as if it’s not doing so well. However, dig a bit deeper and you see a shop which is well-used and valued by the local community. There aren’t many services in the East of Northampton, which makes those at Tesco more important. “

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