

# Glasgow Jewish Representative Council



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Dear Sandra

Thank you for your courtesy in responding so rapidly to my last letter to you concerning unfortunate retweeting of the anti—Semitic cartoon.

I am continuing to receive heavy adverse comment on this matter from members of the Jewish community in Glasgow. I would therefore ask your assistance if you could help clarify one or two of the issues that have been raised with me;

- 1) The fact that the tweet was up apparently for 3 days before being taken down. Some members of the community feel that this tweet would have been seen by staff and it would have been not unexpected that some people would have responded to the tweet in that period.
- 2) The gap between you taking down the tweet on the Monday and the letter of apology sent on Wednesday afternoon. I know in your letter you used such words as “horrific” and I’m sure that in the period between Monday and Wednesday you also will have received heavy traffic by many members of the community and beyond, so that the extent of the hurt and upset would have been known to you pretty fast. In such circumstances it seems to me that an earlier apology might have been welcomed, even if only a tweet.

This is a sorry matter for all of us concerned and I very much look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

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