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Dear Census Champion,

Now that the Census 2021 collection operation is coming to a close, the Office for National Statistics (ONS), who run the census in England and Wales, would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your organisation for your contribution to its success.

The response to Census 2021 has exceeded all expectations with households across England and Wales making sure they count when it comes to local services like school places, GP surgeries and hospital beds. As Jason Zawadzki, Deputy Director of 2021 Census Operations acknowledged: "I would like to thank you for your support over the last few months; it has been invaluable to us and contributed to the high response rates we have achieved. Your support in the lead-up to Census 2021 and in the period around Census Day has helped boost return rates. We're committed to making sure that the census includes everybody, and your work with us has been a crucial part of the picture".

What happens next?

ONS call the anonymised information it releases, *census outputs*. It plans to release the first set of census outputs to the public in spring 2022. More detailed outputs will be published over the following year. All of the information and analysis will be made available on a specially designed website. [Click this link](#) to learn more about the progress and development of the Census 2021 outputs.

Keeping in touch

As you know, the Census Engagement Manager role has come to an end, but ONS would like to keep in touch with you about how you can use census outputs and the future of the census. We need your permission to retain your details.

ONS would like to keep your contact details: name, organisation, email address/telephone, geographic region you operate in and type of community you work with. ONS will keep these details until the end of the current census programme which is in 2024. We will then contact you again to see if you would like to continue hearing from us. We will store your details in a secure database and not share them outside ONS and only use them to contact you about census related matters.

If you are happy for us to retain your details please email our Engagement team at 2021census.engagement@ons.gov.uk to give your confirmation. If you do not contact us, we will remove your details from our systems by the end of September 2021.

You can also request the removal of your details at any time through the same email address.

Thanks again for your invaluable support of Census 2021. Your efforts will help us produce outputs about your community and local area.

Best wishes

Census Partnerships team