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Ms Joanne Pickering
News Editor
Upper Wharfe Herald
Wharfe House, 3 Bridge End
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Dear Ms Pickering

Application for Senior Reporter

From a line in a set of council papers, I found that a tram depot project was £2 million over budget, and my story led the council to order an independent review. I am applying for the Senior Reporter role on the Upper Wharfe Herald.

I have reported for the Sheffield Evening Courier for three years, covering council, crown court and the local NHS trust, filing four to six stories a day for web and print, and I film and edit short video for our website.

I hold the NCTJ Diploma in Journalism with shorthand at 100 words per minute. For Wharfedale, I would start with the closure of rural bus routes and the cost of second homes for local families.

My CV and five clips are attached. Thank you for considering my application.

Yours sincerely

Sam Okoro