



BUCKINGHAM PALACE

As Patron of Spinal Injuries Association, I understand the many challenges that you experience in your daily lives as well as the grit and determination needed to rebuild your lives after injury or diagnosis. Many rely on carers to meet basic life sustaining needs. Some are more susceptible to infections and are at greater risk of severe complications if they develop symptoms. Self-isolation and social distancing away from loved ones can be hard, painful even, for all of us.

I want to let you know that you are not forgotten. Charitable organisations from across the country are united in their commitment and determination to support vulnerable people. Spinal Injuries Association's ambition is nothing less than to ensure that no injured person is left to face this crisis alone. Their determination that every SCI person gets the information, advocacy and support they need to stay safe and well, and out of hospital – thereby saving lives and protecting the NHS - is to be applauded. Their work is a great example of those who are working so tirelessly to support other vulnerable people in our communities across the country.