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Dear Fergus

The final preparations to implement the A382 project in Newton Abbot are now underway. With a contractor in place our teams have been working to refine the practical details in order to commence works as soon as all permissions are in place. This project comprises the construction of Jetty Marsh Link Road, the highway improvements between Drumbridges and Forches Cross and improvements to Exeter Road.

In October 2023 the Department for Transport confirmed that additional funding would be made available to eligible Major Road Network (MRN) projects including the A382 MRN project. This additional contribution is critical to meeting the significant uplift in inflation which has been experienced since the Outline Business Case was submitted in 2019.

The additional funding is matched directly to the value of local authority contributions proposed in the Outline Business Case in 2019, however, it is not applicable to funding originating from other Government departments or developers through Section 106 in the Outline Business Case. In the case of the A382 project, a sum of £4.85m originating from Homes England's 'Homes Infrastructure Fund' (HIF) forms a crucial part of the proposed funding but would not be matched under this additional funding.

Following careful discussions between Devon and Teignbridge officers, we propose to exchange £4.85m of Devon County Council's recycled developer contributions as a result of use of HIF grant to meet planning obligations, with £4.85m of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funding from Teignbridge District Council. In removing part of the recycled developer contributions as a result of HIF grant, and providing a replacement, a majority of funds originating from other Government departments and specified recycled developer contributions are removed. We understand that this arrangement is likely to allow us to be able to unlock the maximum contribution from Network North. This proposal will safeguard the delivery of the A382 project. The requested CIL funding will be required by the project in 2026/27 at the earliest.

I can confirm that there are no restrictive timescales associated with the use of the recycled developer contributions but they must be used to support future development. I can further confirm that any benefit derived from indexation conditions on this funding will be passed on to TDC at the point of transfer.

The Jetty Marsh link road project and the now completed Phase 1 A382 scheme has been made possible by Teignbridge's financial contribution to date. Together, the package of schemes is the final stage of significant

enhancements to the A382 corridor between Newton Abbot and Drumbridges. Dependent up on the final confirmation of funding from the Department of Transport it is our intention that work would commence in late 2024 or early 2025.

Please could you confirm that this proposal is acceptable to Teignbridge District Council, and that the recycled developer contributions will be used to support future development, so that we can enter into an associated funding agreement.

Please also note that this is subject to necessary approvals through Devon's democratic process.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Teignbridge District Council for their ongoing support of this significant infrastructure project, the relationship between the two authorities has been critical to the successes to date and I look forward to continuing to work closely together.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Meg Booth'.

Meg Booth
Director of Climate Change, Environment & Transport

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