

Department for Transport Local Highways

29th June 2017

Dear Sir or Madam

GCGP Expression of Support – National Productivity Investment Fund Proposals

I am writing to confirm Greater Cambridge Greater Peterborough Enterprise Partnership's support for the following National Productivity Investment Fund proposals in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough;

- A47 Junction 18 Improvements
- March Junctions
- Wisbech Development Access Improvements
- A605 Whittlesey Access Phase 2 – Stanground Access.

I confirm that the proposed schemes fit with the aspirations of the Strategic Economic Plan and will support productivity and growth beyond tackling immediate congestion or 'pinch-points'. The proposals from Cambridgeshire County Council and Peterborough City Council are aspirational in their potential for unlocking jobs and new homes.

In respect of the Wisbech proposal I confirm that GCGP has allocated £10.5m as part of its Growth Deal to delivery of transport and access improvements which, subject to final approval expected in December 2017, could be used to match-fund an NPIF allocation for this scheme.

As a member of the Combined Authority for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, GCGP has been a participant in discussions relating to the proposals, most recently at the Combined Authority's Board meeting on 28th June where they were endorsed and ranked as above.

Yours faithfully



Adrian Cannard
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