WEST OF ENGLAND LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP

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Dear Peter,

National Productivity Investment Fund – Temple Quarter Enterprise Zone: East Access

The Temple Quarter Enterprise Zone is key to the delivery of the West of England's growth ambition and is identified in the LEP's Strategic Economic Plan as delivering 17,000 jobs by 2030, alongside 2,500 housing units. The importance of this area in driving growth has been reconfirmed by Government through the recent extension to the Zone, which came into effect in April.

Transport improvements to reduce congestion and provide better access to the Enterprise Zone are key to delivering the Zone's full potential and are an important priority for the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP). This project aims to facilitate public transport penetration into the area, provide high quality pedestrian/cycle links and improve junction layouts, thereby reducing congestion and unlocking employment and housing sites.

Our support for this scheme is evidenced through the former award of over £20m through the LEP's Revolving Infrastructure Fund, of which £2.311m is co-funding for this package of works.

On the basis of the anticipated positive economic impacts, we strongly support and endorse this bid.

Yours sincerely

Basil Jackson

Interim Head of Transport