

27 June 2017

To whom it may concern,

Re: National Productivity Investment Fund - Strategic Radial Route Improvement Scheme

I am writing in support of the application from Bristol City Council, in partnership with the West of England Combined Authorities, to the Department for Transport's National Productivity Fund.

Bristol City Council and the neighbouring authorities have developed a co-ordinated plan to ease local congestion by improving and upgrading key junctions.

This includes the A431 junction with Kingsway in my constituency. Congestion is a major problem in Bristol and easing the flow of traffic in this area would make a major difference to my constituents, as well as those traveling into the city from the east.

The package of works also includes the Upper Maudlin Street area, near Bristol Royal Infirmary, Bristol Eye Hospital and St Michael's Hospital, and a key stretch of Gloucester Road from Filton Avenue.

The series of works will improve traffic flow, improve the layout for pedestrians and public transport and help to replace old and unreliable traffic signals, thereby reducing pressure on the transport maintenance budget.

The Improvement Scheme could significantly benefit my constituents and help Bristol achieve its full economic potential, so I hope the Department for Transport will support this scheme and Bristol City Council's efforts to improve our transport infrastructure.

Yours sincerely,

Kerry McCarthy

Labour MP for Bristol East

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