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Dear Margaret

Local Growth Fund Profiles

Following the recent Spending Review, I am writing to confirm your indicative Growth Deals funding profile between 2016-17 and 2020-21. This profile will, as agreed, be subject to the annual review conversation the Cities and Local Growth Unit has put in place to oversee the payments of Growth Deal funding. Funds will then be transferred in April.

For the sake of clarity, please find below the unchanged indicative profile of annual grant payments from 2016-17 onwards for the South East LEP Growth Deal as presented in your previous letter:

2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
£82,270,227	£68,175,467	£72,365,037	£45,002,319	£28,422,319

Please note that these figures do not include funding related to Department for Transport 'portfolio schemes' or 'tail majors'. Funding profiles for these schemes are agreed with the Department for Transport as schemes are approved.

In addition, these figures do not include funding allocated to each LEP area under the separate arrangements for Housing Revenue Account, Local Infrastructure Funding, or the European Structural Investment Fund.

I can also confirm that we will continue to pay £250,000 of core funding to each LEP in 2016-17. We are confirming this now in response to LEPs' calls for certainty over future funding. It will be allocated and distributed as in previous years, with £250,000 going to each LEP at the start of the financial year via section 31 payment to accountable

bodies. As previously, we will require LEPs to match this funding locally. Further details on the separate capacity funding in 2016-17, and both core and capacity funding in subsequent years, will follow in the New Year.

I hope that this confirmation will equip you and the Local Enterprise Partnership to plan with greater confidence, including initiating work on projects due to start from 2016-17 onwards. If you would like to discuss this or any other aspect of this Spending Review further, please contact your LEP Relationship Manager or Alex Greaves on 0303 444 2938 or alex.greaves@communities.gsi.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Tom Walker', with a stylized, cursive script.

Tom Walker
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