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Dear Sir / Madam,

Hereford City Centre Transport Package Business Case

Please find enclosed a robust business case clearly demonstrating how essential infrastructure improvements will deliver a positive return for the citizens of Herefordshire. The Hereford city centre regeneration will generate jobs, enable the development of an urban village and redistribute traffic around the city centre. The link road scheme will commence this year and will support a major mixed-use development, maximising the potential of a significant area of under-utilised land in a highly sustainable location for both Hereford and the county. It will improve links between the railway station and city centre, and is thoroughly integrated with both the historic fabric of Hereford and our Local Sustainable Transport Fund behavioural change project.

As Herefords S151 officer I fully support the prudent cost estimates used in this business case. The Councils Medium Term Financial Strategy includes the financial impact of underwriting the delivery these improvements. Third party contributions will be sought and secured where the opportunity arises. Close cost challenge, scrutiny and review will be completed before the approval of spend, alongside strict budget monitoring, ensuring the best value for money and most efficient use of resources is achieved through to project completion.

Yours faithfully,



Mr P Robinson
Director of Resources



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