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Dear Matthew Reynolds,

Outcome of the MRN/LLM Review

I am writing to let you know that the Government will be announcing today the outcome of the review of the Major Road Network (MRN) and Large Local Majors (LLM) programme. Full details will be available on GOV.UK and an interactive map is also available at the same weblink.

A full and thorough evaluation process has been undertaken following the review responses provided last summer, as well as follow up information garnered during the subsequent discussions.

As outlined in the Road and Rail announcement of 8 July 2025, the Department had no option but to consider carefully which schemes would deliver the most benefits for local people in a way that is affordable for both government and local authorities. Other factors included assessing the robustness of the analysis, which considered business case maturity, and reliability and uncertainty associated with the expected Value for Money category, as well as alignment to the MRN and LLM programme objectives and affordability of local contributions.

You will wish to be aware that Sheffield Innovation Corridor Road has been withdrawn from the MRN/LLM programme. This is because you

have confirmed that you can no longer afford to provide your local funding contribution and any future cost rises.

This decision has been confirmed to local MP(s), Mayor (where applicable) and your Council Leader.

Yours sincerely,



Craig Stevenson
Head of the MRN/LLM Programme