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I am pleased to inform you that the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities have now concluded their validation of our UKSPF Investment Plan and have written to us to confirm that the Secretary of State has allocated funding for 2022/23, with indicative allocations for the further two financial years up to and including 2024/25, as set out below.

Indicative allocations for 2023/24 and 2024/25 will be reviewed on submission of reporting requirements detailing progress on spend and confirmed in annual Grant Determinations.

Allocation 2022/23		Indicative allocation 2023/24	Indicative allocation 2024/25
Capital	Revenue	£21,448,330	£56,220,848
£3,424,749	£7,304,421		

As the lead authority, WMCA have been issued with a Grant Determination Letter for the 2022/23 allocation and a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between DLUHC and WMCA for the period April 2022-March 2025, due to be signed and returned by 23<sup>rd</sup> December. We will be using these to develop back-to-back funding agreements for Local Authority partners.

Next week we will also be sending you a delivery schedule template to gather further information on your year 1 projects, including a breakdown of outputs, outcomes and financials. These completed delivery schedules will then be annexed to your back-to-back agreement, which we will aim to send to you in the early new year.

Given the late approval of plans by DLUHC, we are continuing to press ministers and officials on the need for greater flexibility to carry funds across financial years, as well as lobbying to bring forward spend on 'people and skills' from year 3.

I hope that is helpful. Very happy to pick up any issues or concerns. Thank you to you and your teams for all the work that went into developing the Investment Plan. We look forward to continued collaboration in ensuring we deliver the impact of this investment.

Yours sincerely



Dr Julie Nugent  
Executive Director of Economic Delivery, Skills and Communities