

Government Funding for Roads and Highways

I have received the enclosed letter from the Secretary of State for Transport. I am encouraging both Wokingham and West Berkshire Council to bid for funding to help improve our local roads:



From the Secretary of State
The Rt. Hon. Chris Grayling

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Dear Colleague

I am writing to announce that Government is launching a competition for local authorities to bid for £198m of funding for highways maintenance in 2019/20 and 2020/21, and for funding of £150m to ease congestion pinch points in 2021/22 and 2022/23. Both competitions are designed to improve local roads in England outside London.

I am sure you will welcome this funding announcement as this is significant for roads in your local areas, and I would encourage you to work with your local authority on identifying suitable opportunities for bids.

I know that the condition of our local roads and associated infrastructure is a major concern for constituents and this funding will help local authorities repair their roads, invest in keeping bridges open and safe, and make improvements that will ease congestion.

Further details of the funding are published on GOV.UK. Officials will be writing directly to local authorities with details of how they can apply for funding by the end of July 2019.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W.L. bat us by" with a flourish below it.

Rt Hon Chris Grayling MP
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRANSPORT