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Dear Margaret

Local Implementation Plan (LIP) 2016/17 Annual Spending Submission

Thank you for submitting your Annual Spending Submission to TfL.

The submission has now been reviewed and I can confirm it meets the requirements of TfL's 2016/17 Annual Spending Submission Guidance (May 2015). This letter confirms TfL's support to your authority in 2016/17 for the LIP programmes identified in Table 1 below.

As the next step your officers should ensure that the financial information for all agreed LIP schemes is entered onto the Borough Portal by **Friday 12 February 2016**. As the Borough Portal is used by TfL and the London boroughs to manage the allocation and reporting of funds, as well as forecasting and subsequent claims, it is essential the information on the Portal (including VOWD) is entered correctly and kept up to date. Failure to do so could be interpreted that the allocation is not required and therefore it may be withdrawn. If your officers have difficulty entering this data or accessing the Portal please contact Julie Clark at julieclark@tfl.gov.uk.

Copies of the LIP Finance and Reporting Guidance as well as the LIP 2016/17 Annual Spending Submission Guidance and the LIP 2014/15 to 2016/17 Delivery Plan can be found on the TfL website at: <http://www.tfl.gov.uk/info-for/boroughs/local-implementation-plans>. These documents detail the other relevant matters to which TfL will have regard.



Table 1: London Borough of Tower Hamlets 2016/17 LIP funding allocations

LIP Programme	Allocation (£'000)	Comment
Corridors and Neighbourhoods	2,446	
Local Transport Fund	100	
Principal Road Maintenance	281	
Major Schemes	0	
Total	2,827	

Details of the 2016/17 LIP allocations for Principal Road Maintenance should be visible on the Portal in early January 2016.

The London Bridges Engineering Group (LoBEG) is currently reviewing the pan-London bridge assessment and strengthening programme. Therefore any allocation now showing on the Portal in respect of this programme should be considered provisional and will be confirmed in February 2016 following further consultation with LoBEG.

The 2016/17 settlement is the final year of the current three year LIP funding period 2014/15 - 2016/17. Future LIP funding is dependent on the outcome of Central Government's Comprehensive Spending Review (CSR) and the implications for the wider LIP process following next year's Mayoral election; for example, a new Mayor's Transport Strategy may require boroughs to prepare new strategic LIP documents (LIP3).

Thus, there is a need to bridge the potential gap between the expiry of the current LIP Delivery Plans in 16 /17 and the new arrangements to come in to effect under LIP3. A position on future LIP funding and the arrangements to manage this – whether short- or longer-term and with caveats as appropriate – will be determined this Spring with input from a working group on which London Councils and LoTAG will be represented. This position will be communicated to the boroughs via the LIP Annual Spending Submission Guidance for 2017/18 (due Spring 2016).

Finally, I would like to thank you and your officers for your work in preparing the LIP submissions. I look forward to continuing to work with you in 2016/17.



Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Lester'.

Scott Lester Interim Head of Borough Projects & Programmes

