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Dear Colleague,

I wrote to you on 23 February advising that my Department would be allocating at least £100m of extra funding from its 2010/11 budget to help local highways authorities to repair potholes and other road damage caused by the severe weather.

In yesterday's Budget statement we announced that, as a result of further savings identified in the DfT's budget for 2010/11, the total amount of extra funding for local highway authorities in England has been increased to £200m. This represents a significant extra investment in road maintenance at a time of severe fiscal restraint.

As I explained in my previous letter, in order to minimise administrative burdens for all concerned, we will be distributing the funds formulaically, based on the Department's existing highways maintenance capital funding formula which takes into account road length and condition. We are providing **£1,832,910** to your authority for additional road maintenance, to be paid on 28 March 2011.

In order to promote greater transparency, your highway authority has already agreed to publish a brief note on its website by 30 September 2011, copied to the DfT, which sets out how this extra funding has been spent, what your authority originally planned to spend, and how this additional funding has complemented (rather than displaced) the baseline highway maintenance expenditure by your authority.

Yours ever

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