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Dear James,

Outcome of HGV Parking and Driver Welfare Match-Funding Grant Scheme (window two)

I am writing to share with you the outcomes of the second window of the HGV Parking and Driver Welfare Match-Funding Grant Scheme which was launched in November 2022.

Successful applications will make improvements across one or more of the three focus areas of the grant scheme which were identified based on the National Survey of Lorry Parking as most beneficial to HGV driver welfare: welfare amenities, security provisions, and HGV parking facilities. A number of projects also include decarbonisation measures, which was a fourth focus area for the grant.

I am pleased to announce that successful bids for the second funding window will result in approximately £16.5 million investment in improvements, £6 million of which being Government funded, leveraging £10.5 million of investment from industry. This window of the scheme will also deliver approx. 430 additional HGV parking spaces.

The successful applications for funding are spread across 20 different counties in England. Below are the details for your constituency:

 London Road Parking Compound, IP8 3JW – improvement project value approx. £58,000, comprised of £29,000 Government investment and £29,000 industry investment. (Multiple areas of improvement)

This window's results come in addition to a similar investment across 41 improvement projects from the first window of the Match Funding Grant Scheme, announced by Richard Holden on 11 September 2023.

The Driver Welfare Match Funding Grant scheme demonstrates the importance this Government attaches to the road haulage and logistics sector and our commitment to improving the working lives of HGV drivers. I hope you will join me in welcoming these outcomes and looking forward to seeing the improvements to driver welfare provision across the country that will come as a result.

Best wishes,

GUY OPPERMAN MP

MINISTER FOR ROADS AND LOCAL TRANSPORT