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Mairead, apologies I should have mentioned this when I saw you on Monday.

Gareth,

Good to chat with you just now. We discussed the possibility of Herefordshire paying back the funds we previously released to the SWTP which helped the LEP to meet the level of Growth Deal spend required by Government – thank you again for helping. The Government’s profile of funding to come to the LEP doesn’t match the expected spend profiles for our projects so potentially we may not be able to pay out all claims during the years 2017/18, 18/19 and 19/20 (with the situation resolved in 2020/21). Please could you consider transferring the funds (£1,697,609.36) back to the LEP during this financial year? Happy to discuss further, including the timing, we certainly don’t want to create problems for you. Let’s chat again once you’ve had time to think about it?

Many thanks,

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