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Dear Emily Smith,

Outcome of Levelling Up Fund (Round 1)

I am writing to inform you of the outcome of your application to the first round of the Levelling Up Fund. I'd like to begin by thanking you for the time and effort spent in submitting an application to this funding competition.

Your application formed part of the significant UK-wide interest in the first round of the Levelling Up Fund and was assessed against the criteria outlined in the Levelling Up Fund Prospectus and the Levelling Up Fund Technical Note.

I regret to inform you that your application, 'Eynsham Road and Botley Road Corridor' (LUF0304) relating to Vale of White Horse District Council, has not been successful on this occasion.

I appreciate that this news will be disappointing. As you know, there will be further rounds of the Levelling Up Fund and the UK Government remains firmly committed to levelling up all parts of the UK. Whilst your bid was unsuccessful in this round, you will be able to resubmit a bid in future rounds. Officials can provide feedback on your application to support future bids and will be in contact shortly with more information on this. Further detail on how the Levelling Up Fund will operate from 2022-23 onwards will be set out in due course.

I would like to take this opportunity to offer my sincere thanks for your application and encourage you to bid in future rounds, as we continue to help local areas level up across the UK.

Yours sincerely,

NEIL O'BRIEN MP