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The Rt Hon Mark Harper MP Secretary of State for Transport

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By email to:

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Dear Mark,

As the Member of Parliament for Berwick-upon-Tweed, I write on behalf of my constituents to convey our delight at this week's fantastic news from the Prime Minister, of funding for the dualling of our A1 between Morpeth and Ellingham to go ahead!

As you know, I've long campaigned for this long-awaited upgrade and to now have the Prime Minister's full endorsement is very welcome. I know we are in agreement that this reinvestment of every single penny in the hundreds of transport infrastructure projects that will make a real difference across our nation shows our constituents that this Government is listening and we are now delivering.

Whilst I cannot find a record of having yet received a reply to my letter to you of 5<sup>th</sup> September, seeking further information on how much has been spent on this scheme to date and on what, I understand from media reports we have spent at least £67 million of the £293 million committed for all the preparations. This means digger work can begin rapidly, to secure both you and the Prime Minister a quick and easy win.

In that light, my constituents would be most grateful for a firm timeline and further details at the earliest opportunity, as well as for your ongoing help with this important issue.

Yours ever,



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