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AVDC secures £9.5 million of government funding

Aylesbury Vale District Council (AVDC) has today been awarded £9.5 million to provide new local infrastructure to facilitate development in Aylesbury, as the government confirms £866 million worth of investment in local housing projects across the country. The award, announced by the Housing Minister Sajid Javid and Chancellor Philip Hammond, is one of 133 council-led projects across the country that will receive grants to deliver housing developments more quickly.

This initial funding for Aylesbury will enable the early delivery of infrastructure supporting the Woodlands development to the east of the town, including part of the new Eastern Link Road. It will form an integral part of plans for Aylesbury Garden Town.

Councillor Neil Blake, Leader of Aylesbury Vale District Council and Chairman of the Aylesbury Garden Town Board, said:

"We are delighted that the government recognises the need to invest in infrastructure to support the Vale's growth plans and our key role in helping tackle the national housing crisis. This funding will help assist the delivery of essential infrastructure that will support our next phase of growth and enable much-needed new homes and infrastructure for Aylesbury Vale residents.

"This announcement is just the first stage of the long-term investments required to help support Aylesbury Garden Town and we hope to have more positive news on bigger bids in the future.

"This bid was written collaboratively by officers of AVDC and Buckinghamshire County Council and I would like to thank them all for their hard work in putting together such a compelling case."

Bill Chapple OBE, Buckinghamshire County Council Cabinet Member for Planning and Environment, said the proposed roads improvements to the east of Aylesbury unlocked by the Housing Infrastructure Fund award would enable the delivery of much needed infrastructure as part of the growing Garden Town.

"As highways authority, we're looking forward to working in partnership with the district council to drive this joint project forward over the coming years for the benefit of our residents and businesses in Buckinghamshire," he said.

Richard Harrington, Chief Executive, Buckinghamshire Thames Valley Local Enterprise Partnership (BTVLEP) said:

"We are delighted with this Government investment of £33 million across Buckinghamshire for Housing Infrastructure Projects. This is an example of great partnership working between the District Councils, County Council and BTVLEP, reaping major infrastructure results for the county."

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