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To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Scotland Lane

I am writing to give my wholehearted and unreserved support for the joint bid by Bristol City Council and South Gloucestershire Council, and to underline the urgent need for the level of funding which they deem to be necessary for works relating to major maintenance projects which would otherwise be difficult to fund.

Scotland Lane is in Stockwood, in my constituency. The lane regularly floods and, due to longstanding drainage issues, closes as a result - removing an important link road between constituents, communities, and businesses, and increasing traffic, congestion, and air pollution on other surrounding routes.

Many options, all of them a quite significant investment for a local authority, have been considered and one of them, which would see a new pipe installed, would be both effective and affordable - with funding from the Department for Transport.

There is a clear and historic need for such funding to enable the local authority to invest in measures which would provide enormous benefit to many of my constituents.

Scotland Lane urgently requires these works, and I would therefore be grateful if you could give sympathetic consideration to approving the joint bid for funding.

Yours sincerely,

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