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Dear Mr Wane

### Footway Improvements – The Great Wolds Valley

Thank you for your letter detailing the local concerns over the footway linking the villages in your area. A bid for funding from the Malton and Norton Service Centre Transportation Strategy was submitted and I am pleased to be able to tell you that a sum of £40,000 was approved.

I appreciate that it has taken some time to get to this position but the timescale was greater than normal due to the complexity of the proposals submitted, in particular in respect of the A64 Brambling Fields improvement scheme and the complimentary Malton/Norton town centre proposals. This has involved close working with the District Council and the Highways Agency to ensure sufficient detail on the proposals were available for meaningful engagement/consultation.

Following the meeting of the Ryedale Area Committee on 15 June, I met with the Executive Members for Business and Environmental Services on 8 July to discuss the recommendations in the report to the Area Committee, along with the recommendation from the members of the Area Committee, to formally approve the Strategy.

I am pleased to inform you that Richard Marr, the Area Manager, has been instructed to implement the strategy and he will be progressing the footway improvement scheme along with the speed reduction measures for your villages. I have been informed by Richard that he intends to commit officer time to progress the design of the schemes in this financial year, but will not be in a position to commence the physical works on site until the next financial year. Richard will be contacting the Parish Council in due course to discuss the proposals prior to finalisation and implementation.

I trust the above clarifies the current position.

Yours sincerely

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