



## **Partnership for Urban South Hampshire**

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Dear Mr Lavery

As the Executive Leader of Fareham Borough Council and the Chairman of PUSH, I am writing to express my keen support for the proposed Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) scheme in the area.

I, along with the other authorities, Gosport Borough Council, Havant Borough Council and Portsmouth City Council support the Transport for South Hampshire bid for Community Infrastructure Funding for the early phases of the proposed BRT scheme, which I understand focus upon deliverable sections of the Gosport to Fareham disused railway corridor and Fareham Station Interchange.

I understand that these early phases are required in order for subsequent parts of the network, including links to Fareham Town Centre, the Strategic Development Area, north of Fareham, Cosham, Havant and Portsmouth to be developed later as subsequent phases.

As part of the move to create a more vibrant economy development is planned as part of the South East Plan covering the period to 2026. In order to enable the growth to take place and adequately cater for additional travel demand in the area, improvements to the transport network are not just 'desirable' but are 'essential'.

I welcome this expression of interest in the Community Infrastructure Fund for these early phases of BRT as an initial step to the complete wider network.

Yours sincerely

**Councillor Seán Woodward**  
**Chairman of PUSH**