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Dear Councillor Peacock,

Spending Review Outcome

We are writing on behalf of the Department for Transport, to confirm that following the conclusion of the spending review, funding has been committed to progress with the A46 Newark Bypass scheme, subject to planning approval.

The A46 Newark Bypass is an important route connecting the M1 and Leicester to the A1 and central Lincolnshire.

This funding investment is part of a wider commitment to make all our major roads more dependable, durable and most importantly, safe. Subject to planning approval, expected in Autumn 2025, the investment will support the government's mission to kickstart economic growth, by improving road connections for businesses and freight across the Midlands, Lincolnshire and the Humber, with connectivity to key ports.

The government and National Highways remain committed to developing and maintaining, the strategic road network, necessary to stimulate economic growth and enhance opportunities across the Country while delivering value for money for taxpayers.

We are currently working with DfT to identify the most efficient delivery times for the A46 Newark Bypass scheme, and these will be published alongside RIS3 in March 2026.

Yours sincerely

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