



Department for Transport

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Date: 7 February 2019

Dear Sirs

**Statement of Intent: Shropshire Council innovation-fund-application-opening-data
Parking Data Solutions for Shropshire Project**

I write on behalf of Shropshire Council in support of the Authority's funding bid in the Department for Transport competition for opening local authority transport data.

We consider this to be a timely opportunity, given our new parking strategy, roll out of part 1 of our new strategy, a linear pricing model will be complete next week. We have also recently replaced all of our parking machine stock, provided contactless payment facilities at all of our terminals, introduced remote payment options and digital permitting. We have also upgraded our enforcement hardware and modified our monitoring applications.

For this reason we have focused our submission on parking. We now have a new wealth of parking digital data, and would welcome the provision of funding that will allow us to both integrate our management systems, facilitate improved data availability, publication and transparency.

We therefore fully endorse this application.

Yours sincerely

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Leader Shropshire Council