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New Additional Funding for the North West Relief Road

I write to you in response to the Prime Minister's speech at the Conservative Party Conference to enquire about the additional funding for the North West Relief Road.

I was disappointed with the realisation that the HS2 rail project could not be completed. However, I am pleased with the Prime Minister's announcement that the £36 billion saved will be reinvested to improve local transport infrastructure. I understand £250 million of that amount is being allocated to fund ten road projects, including the North West Relief Road in Shrewsbury.

Constructing the North West Relief Road is crucial to Shrewsbury; it will alleviate congestion, reduce pollution, and help secure the town's long-term economic prosperity. Unfortunately, delays have caused the cost of this project to inflate higher than the £54 million your Department allocated in 2019. As a result, a funding shortfall exists, which I hope will now finally be solved by the announcement of new funding for road projects. I would be grateful if you could explain how much of the £250 million will be allocated to the North West Relief Road?

Shrewsbury has waited long enough to see the construction of the North West Relief Road, and the delay in building it is holding back my town's prosperity.

I look forward to receiving your response.

Yours sincerely,

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