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Dear Paul,

Application Reference: SHDF-081 South Derbyshire District Council

Thank you for your application for the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund Wave 1 Competition. We have completed an independent assessment and moderation of all the applications. Due to exceptional circumstances, it has taken longer than expected to assess and finalise the list of successful applications and we are grateful for your patience in awaiting this decision.

Based on this assessment, I am pleased to confirm that BEIS will award a grant of up to £1,099,835 to South Derbyshire District Council, subject to agreeing the Grant Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and undertaking appropriate due diligence.

You are advised not to enter any binding arrangements until the MoU commencement date, which will be the date at which BEIS signs the completed MoU.

Recognising the delay, the delivery timeline has been re-baselined to reflect a 12-months, starting on 1 Apr 22 and concluding by 31 Mar 23. The change in delivery timeline will require the key milestone dates in the MoU to be updated and this may require you to undergo additional internal governance to confirm your organisation's continued commitment to the project.

The finance for Wave 1 is only available to be granted in this fiscal year (FY21/22). It is important that the enclosed MoU is completed and returned as soon as possible (and by the 28th of February at the latest) to allow payments to be processed.

Please complete the MoU in full and return it to shdf.wave1.mou@beis.gov.uk stating the lead Local Authority in the subject. There are additional documents provided with this MoU, please read these carefully and provide them at the times set out within the MoU. We have also enclosed an FAQ document to answer frequent questions on the process.

If you have any queries about the contents of this letter, please submit these by email to BEIS at shdf.wave1.mou@beis.gov.uk.

We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to an introductory webinar which will be an opportunity to meet the SHDF team and answer any questions on the MoU signing process. <u>Please register your interest and preference of date via this link.</u>

You will also be invited to an introductory session with our Delivery Partner Ricardo, who can be contacted at SHDF.W1@ricardo.com, to talk through the project monitoring and reporting requirements for the programme, as we support you and your team to deliver your project by March 2023.

Finally, there will be a kick-off event in March which will be an opportunity for us to provide you with a detailed briefing on our collective ambitions and expectations, lessons and reflect from earlier schemes. We hope this will be an in-person event and will forward details as soon as possible.

We are looking forward to working with you on this exciting project. The Monitoring Officer (MO) assigned to your project is Arthur Anunciacao, we strongly encourage you to establish lines of communication as quickly as possible with your MO to support your project.

Yours sincerely

Matt Harrison

Programme Director – Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund