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To:

Returning Officer
Electoral Registration Officer

I am writing as Director of the Electoral Integrity Programme at the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities to confirm that New Burdens Funding has been agreed with HM Treasury for Financial Years 2022-2025 for the implementation of the Programme.

The New Burdens Funding will provide you with the resource to deliver the changes required by the Elections Act. I hope that this letter, and attached documents, will enable you to start planning that resource requirement.

We will circulate detailed guidance on permissible costs and Justification Led Bid processes in October 2022. In the meantime, please find attached a summary of the department's approach to how we will fund New Burdens arising from the Programme as presented at the Elections Act Seminar on 12th September 2022. This summary Funding Explainer provides more detail on the funding model and how the department will ensure local authorities have the necessary resources to continue to deliver elections robustly and securely as the new measures are implemented.

You will receive a Grant Determination Letter detailing the specific new burden allocation to your authority, ahead of initial grant payments being made in November 2022, with further New Burdens payments following through to 2025. Information on funding over this remaining period will be provided in due course.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at
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Yours sincerely,

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