

Item 4.5: Market Towns Programme Investment Prospectus Approval of Second Tranche of Project Proposals - Reason for Late Publication

This paper arrives late to accommodate an update to include three additional project proposals for approval.

These were originally reverted back to the applicant for more detail as part of the assessment but subsequently resolved for these to be included in this November round of approvals. Market Towns Programme is especially focused on Covid-19 recovery and hence, on approving projects that can be implemented for the period between November and Spring 2021 - a period in which town centres will undoubtedly need real support to survive and rebound from the Covid-19 shock to their businesses revenues and customer footfall.

It was felt important to include these matters for the consideration of the Board, however this resulted in this report missing the publication deadline.

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